

A portrait of Edward O. Wilson, an African American man wearing a dark blue baseball cap and a dark blue short-sleeved button-down shirt. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a light blue sky with white clouds. A small circular logo is visible on the left side of his chest.

*In Loving Memory
of*

Edward O. Wilson

Sunrise

September 13, 1943

Sunset

April 20, 2011

Service

Monday, April 25, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.

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Brooklyn, NY 11208

Order of Service

Prelude Organist

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Psalm 23
Shauna Wilson

Prayer of Comfort Pastor

Acknowledgments Tribute to Edward

Obituary *read by* Harold P. Wilson

Eulogy Pastor

Committal Pastor

Benediction Pastor

Final Disposition

*St. Michael's Cemetery/Crematory
East Elmhurst, New York*



Obituary

Edward Osborne Wilson, son of Caroline Gordon and William Wilson, Sr., was born in Manhattan, New York on September 13, 1943 and departed this life on April 20, 2011. He was raised by his loving mother in Harlem, New York.

Edward attended the New York City Public schools. He was a bit of a rebel early in his childhood. He was known to jump roof tops across the tenement buildings in Harlem. He loved to read books about anything. He knew facts on the architecture of New York from the Empire State building to Grant's tomb. He was a nomad of New York City, having resided in almost every borough. Ed worked in Maintenance for the Dole Fund for over twenty years

Edward was the fifth of nine children (preceded in death by brothers Herbert and Reginald). He remained a loaner for most of his life. You may not see him all year, but he would always know who in the family was hosting the holiday dinner and would be there with a big smile on his face.

Ed's passion was collecting gold and shopping in Thrift shops. Plenty of Thrift Shops. He would buy items and then give them away to whoever wanted them. He had a generous side and when he was able he would give to others.

When we hear the word "**whatever**" we will always think of Ed.

He leaves to mourn: his children, Edward, Jr., & family, Kenneth, Shauna, Antoinette and Zena; his sisters, Lillian, Pauline, Gloria & husband Douglas, and Patricia; his brothers, Harold and William; and a host of nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, other family members and friends.

"Dad Place"

There's a special kind of feeling
when I think about you Dad
It's a Pleasure to remember
all the happy times we've had
There's a special kind of Caring
That is meant for you alone
There's a place somewhere within my heart
That only you can own



*My words from the heart : As I go on with life Daddy
I will always take with me how such a great father
you have been to me. We shared 18 years of memories
that I will keep with me forever. Dad I love you with
all my heart. I'm going to miss you. ~ Antoinette*

Acknowledgements

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the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to them during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!*

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