

In Loving Memory of



David Sutton

Sunrise

December 31, 1936

Sunset

April 21, 2011

Friday, April 29, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

Rev. Dr. Judith Hester, Officiating

Obituary

David Sutton affectionally known as "Sarge" was born to the late Leroy Sutton, Sr. and Bannie Lee Washington, on December 31, 1936 in Hartsville, South Carolina. He received his formal education the Fayetteville, NC and Newark, NJ School systems. After his junior year in 1952, he enlisted in the United States Army. Sarge served honorably for twenty-two years. During his service to his country he distinguished himself as a parachutor and an Air Borne Ranger. He was a member of the 101 Street Air Borne Batalion, Screaming Eagles. He attained the enlisted rank of Sergeant First Class Sarge. Sarge retired from the military in 1974.

However Sarge's career was not over. He began a twenty year career with the Essex County Department of Corrections. Starting as an officer he retired in 2001 as a captain. Sarge was not finished. He came out of retirement in 2001 and worked as the assistant warden at the Newark Youth House. Finally after over forty years of service to his country and the general public, Sarge retired in 2005.

He leaves to rejoice his memory: his loving and devoted wife, Joan Sutton; two sons, Rod L. Sutton and the late Richard L. Slappy, Jr.; two daughters-in-law, Jean Sutton and Karen Slappy; two brothers, the late Leroy Sutton, Jr., James Sutton; one sister, Dorthy Mac McNeil; sisters-in-law, Marie Crudup, Odessa Epps (John), Dolores Dent and Lorraine Keys; six grandchildren, Craig Slappy (Mecca Abdullah), Richard L. Slappy III, Danita Slappy, Paige Sutton, Justin David Sutton and Alexander Sutton; six great grandchildren, Danielle Slappy, Crystal Slappy, Yahnaisa Slappy, Anayia Slappy, Yahmir Slappy and Richard Slappy IV; his nieces and nephews, Henry, Jake, Patsy (Late), Tommy, Barbara, Sean, Kenny, Pamela (Late), Robin, Kelly, Dennis, Darren, Leah, David (Nicole), Tracey (Bilal); and a host of great nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional Solo - Evangelist Edith Hodge

Scripture Reading Deacon Ron Sutton
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Consolation Rev. Dr. Judith Hester
Solo Minister Pleasant

Acknowledgements Lynda Lloyd

Remarks

(please yield to the family and limit all comments two minutes please)

Reading of the Obituary Kelly Sutton

Eulogy Rev. Dr. Judith Hester

Solo Marian Oliver Williams

Benediction Rev. Dr. Judith Hester

Interment

*Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey*

Repast at Prince Hall on Irvin Turner Blvd.

Pall Bearers

Jake McNeil	Dennis Sutton
David Brown	Darren Sutton
Richard Slappy	Charley Lloyd

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece if so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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