

In High Honor Of
Leon Ernest Muhammad (Gaillard)

Sunrise
September 2, 1924

Sunset
July 1, 2011



Service

Thursday, July 7, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Minister Abdul Hafeez Muhammad, Officiating

Obituary

We have gathered this morning to pay homage to one of the beloved of God.

Leon Ernest Gaillard was born to Ernest and Helen Gaillard on September 2, 1924 in the Bronx, New York. As a child, Leon attended New York City Public Elementary and High School. Leon later enrolled and graduated from New York City Community College.

In 1943, Leon enlisted in the US Army. During his tour of duty his decorations and citations included the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal, The Good Conduct Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Leon was a valued civil service employee from 1947 to 1979. He retired from the New York City Transit Authority. Leon also worked as a Federal Protective Officer at 26 Federal Plaza, New York.

In the late 1950's, Brother Leon Muhammad accepted the teachings of The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad and joined the ranks of the Fruit of Islam (F.O.I.). In the Nation of Islam, under the leadership of The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan, Brother Leon held an outstanding record of sacrifice, service and commitment. He served as a Lieutenant to Captain Yusuf Shah and also as Investigator under St. Captain Richard Muhammad. Brother Leon received many service awards, most notably Believer of the Year and the Pioneer Award. None can deny that as a soldier, Brother Leon walked his post perfectly.

On August 14, 1987, Leon married the love of his life Frances Jones who also accepted the teachings of Messenger Elijah Muhammad. Together Brother Leon and Sister Frances enjoyed life. They were both pillars of their community. Always willing to offer service, charity, and council to those in need. They both loved their family and loved their Nation. One of their greatest joys was attending the annual Saviours' Day Convention together. Sister Frances predeceased her husband on July 5, 2010. (pbuh)

On July 1, 2011, shortly after viewing a DVD of Minister Farrakhan entitled "The Concept of Allah in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad", with his Muslim brother and caretaker, Brother Jabril, Brother Leon Muhammad returned back to his essence. Brother Leon was 86 years old.

He is survived by: his siblings, Richard, Edward and Alvaha; sons, Kenneth Gaillard and Herbert Bellamy, Sr.; grandson, Herbert Bellamy, Jr.; great granddaughters, Alissa Bellamy and Makayla Bellamy; cousins, Edna and Rose; caretaker and surrogate daughter, Brother Eddie and Sister Shanasia Muhammad, caretaker, Brother Jabril Muhammad, the Brothers and Sisters of Muhammad Mosque No. 7 and the Nation of Islam, as well as a host of friends. May Allah Be Pleased With Him.

Order of Service

Officiant

St. Minister Abdul Hafeez Muhammad

Obituary

Message of Janazah

*Sulatul Janazah
(Prayer Service)*

Invite of Testimonials

Passing of Mints

Interment

*George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery
Paramus, New Jersey*

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH...

**HOLY QUR'AN
SURAH3
AYATS 101-103...107, 108**

*O you who believe, keep your duty to Allah, as it ought to be kept,
and die not unless you are Muslims.*

*And hold fast by the covenant of Allah all together and be not
disunited. And remember Allah's favour to you when you were
enemies, then He united your hearts so by His favour you became
brethren. And you were on the brink of a pit of fire, then He saved
you from it. Thus Allah makes clear to you His messages that you
may be guided.*

*And from among you there should be a party who invite to good
and enjoin the right and forbid the wrong and those are they who
are successful.*

*These are the messages of Allah which We recite to thee with truth.
And Allah desires no injustice to (His) creatures.*

*And to Allah belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in
the earth. And to Allah are all affairs returned.*

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation
and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.



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