# In Loving Memory of Norris Eugene Bell

Sunrise November 21, 1931

Sunset October 29, 2011

> <u>Service</u> Saturday, November 5, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH 22 Sand Road • Westwood, New Jersey

Rev. Barry Miller, Officiating

## <u>Reflections of Life</u>

**Norris Eugene Bell** was born, November 21, 1931 to Elijah and Grace (Anderson) Bell in the Bronx, NY. At an early age, Norris moved with his family to Westwood, NJ, where he attended the Westwood Regional School District, graduating from Westwood Regional High School in 1950. He also attended Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Shortly after graduation, Norris enlisted in the United States Air Force to serve his country during the Korean War. Following his period of service, Norris was employed by Universal Manufacturing Company, where he met his wife of fifty-one years, Vivian Hinton. Two children were born of this union, a daughter, Andra and a son, Glenn. Norris retired from a career as a Systems Analyst for IBM Corporation.

For more than forty-five years, Norris was an active and faithful member of the Mount Zion Baptist Church of Westwood, NJ, where he employed his beautiful singing voice serving as choir director for the Gospel Chorus and Men's Choir. He also performed as a soloist for The Stuart Smith Singers. Norris enjoyed bowling and traveling; and was an avid fan of the New York Yankees and Dallas Cowboys.

On October 29, 2011, Norris passed away peacefully at home, following a lengthy illness. He was pre-deceased by his parents, Elijah and Grace, his brothers, Clarence and Arthur Bell, and his sister, Dolores Bell.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Vivian; daughter; Andra of Westwood, NJ; son, Glenn; daughter-in-law, LiRon Anderson-Bell and grandchildren, Asa and Bradleigh Bell of Philadelphia, PA, Octavia Hines of Westwood, NJ, who adopted Norris and Vivian as her grandparents, and a brother, Emmanuel.

Norris also leaves sisters and brothers-in-law, Daisy Hinton, Rosemary Parks, William and Jean Wallace, Henry and Isabel Hinton, Robert Hinton and Norma Ealy; and a host of nieces, nephews, loving friends and neighbors and his devoted church family.

# Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy and Family
InvocationClergy
Scripture Readings Old Testament Psalm 24: 1-10 Clergy New Testament John 14: 1-4 Clergy
Prayer of ComfortClergy
SoloBrother George Davis
Acknowledgements, Resolution, Obituary Sister Casandra Wallace
Musical SelectionChoir
TributesBrother Glenn E. Bell
Musical SelectionChoir
SoloSister Doretha Jackson
EulogyPastor Barry Miller
RecessionalClergy and Family
Interment

Interment Westwood, Cemetery Westwood, New Jersey

### A Journey With The Lord

 $\mathcal{L}$ ife is but a stopping place, A pause in what's to be; A resting place along the road To sweet eternity. We all have different journeys, Different paths along the way; We all were meant to learn some things, But never meant to stay... Our destination is a place Far greater than we know. For some, the journey's quicker, For some the journey's slow. And when the journey finally ends, We'll claim a great reward, And find an everlasting peace, Together with the Lord.

### Acknowledgement

The family of Norris Eugene Bell acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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