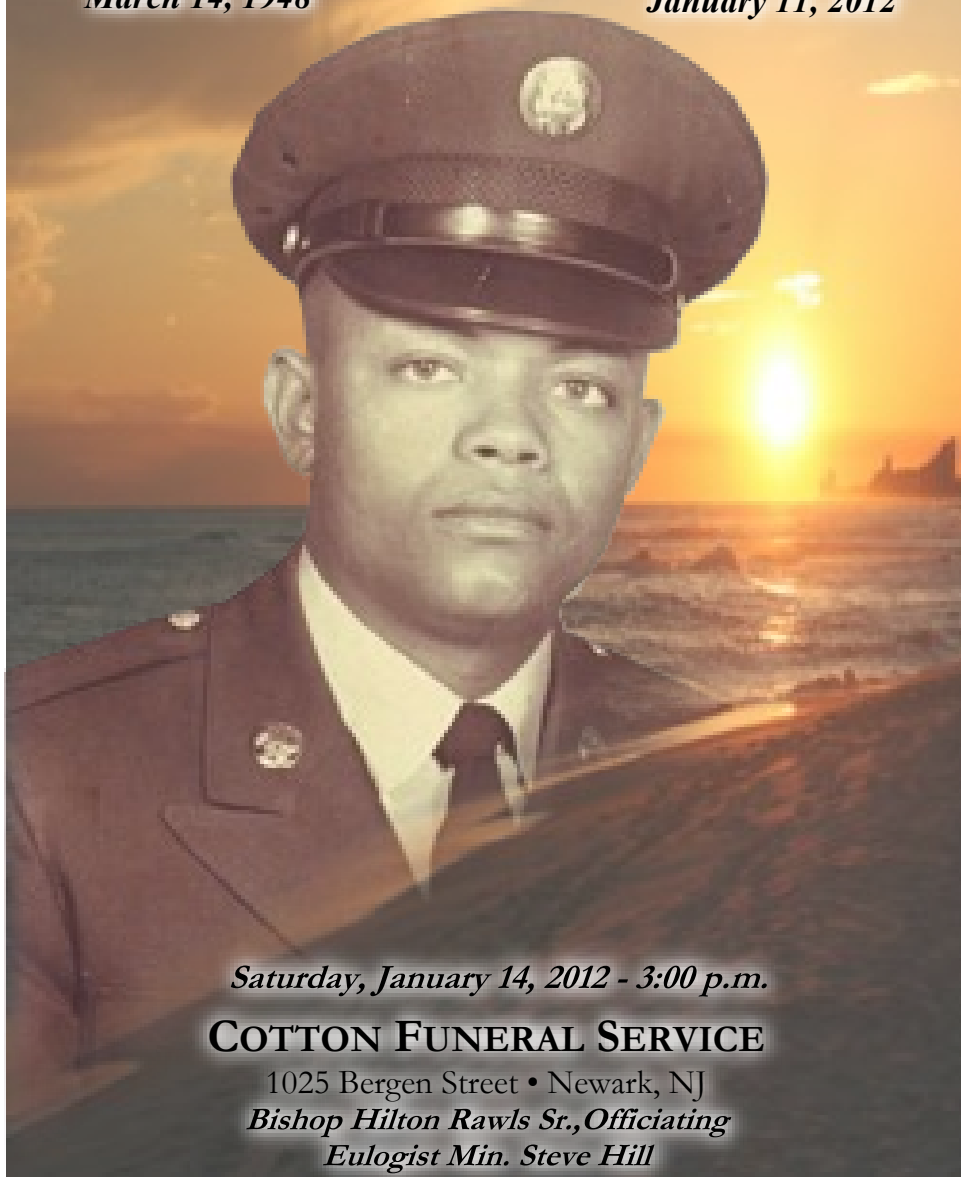


*In Loving Memory of*

*Samuel Jerome Graham Sr.*

*Sunrise*  
*March 14, 1948*

*Sunset*  
*January 11, 2012*



*Saturday, January 14, 2012 - 3:00 p.m.*

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

*Bishop Hilton Rawls Sr., Officiating*

*Eulogist Min. Steve Hill*

## *Reflections of Life*

**Samuel Jerome Graham Sr.** was born March 14, 1948 in Conway, South Carolina to the late Clyde and Elneeda Graham. He was the seventh of the nine children born to this union. He was preceded in death by his parents and four siblings.

Samuel departed this life on Wednesday, January 11th, 2012 in St. Barnabas Hospital, Livingston, New Jersey. He attended Finklea High School in South Carolina.

Samuel relocated to Newark in the 1960's, where him and his brothers, (Clyde and Cleo) brought Graham's Tavern and the Polar Star. Thereafter, he entered the US Army Service, March 1968-1970. He served in Veteran War as a Corporal in the US Army. He also served in the Army Reserve Corps. 1970-1974.

Samuel has earned the National Defense Service Metal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, four Bronze Star w/V Device (2 OLC), the Sharp Shoot Rifle badge, and the Marksman badge.

Samuel also worked for the US Postal Office for several years.

Samuel loved life and was a very humble man. He will be remembered for his kindness, dignity and gentle manner, his quiet wit, and his love of family and friends.

Samuel leaves to cherish his memories: a loving companion, Vera Hall; He also leaves four daughters, Janthina Graham of NJ, Jacquenetta Wolfe of NJ, Shemeka Hooks of GA, and Melisa Hooks of GA; three sons, Demetris Hooks of GA, Samuel J. Graham Jr. of NJ, Daryl Walden of GA; two sisters, Ether Mcknight of NJ, Ophelia Edge of NC; two brothers, Clyde (Earlene) Graham of NJ, and Isaiah Graham of NJ; grandchildren, Stephon Thornton, Jariyah Grainer and Zaiyannah McMillian and eight others; five aunts, Betty Moody of NJ, Gracie Farmer of SC, Lou Esther Singleton of SC, Beatrice Bown of VA and Bernice Beaty of SC; one uncle, Donnie Jennette of VA; one brother-in-law, John Davis of FL; sister-in-law, Grace Graham of NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

*Musical Prelude*

*Processional*

*Opening Hymn*

*Scripture Reading*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Prayer of Comfort.....Angelia Graham/Molina*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgement / Resolutions*

*Remarks (2 minutes please)*

*Obituary.....Tanya Roulhac*

*Selection*

*Eulogy.....Min. Steve Hill*

*Recessional*



## *Psalm 23*

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

### *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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