

*Celebration of Life
for
Calvin "Cowboy" Lucas*

*Sunrise
October 12, 1941*

*Sunset
January 21, 2012*



Saturday, January 28, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

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929 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

Pastor John Exum III, Officiating

Pastor Paul Shelly, Eulogist

Obituary

Calvin "Cowboy" Lucas was born on October 12, 1941 to the late Clevester and Frank Lucas in Rocky Mount, NC. As a "youngin" he exemplified traits of a passionate hard-worker and a man that enjoyed life and living. He graduated from Booker T. Washington High School. While a student there and with the nickname "Joe Gun", he enjoyed playing football, baseball, and track. "Joe Gun" also enjoyed moments of going hunting and fishing. He had a love for music that many would soon come to enjoy.

During the 60's, Calvin migrated to the North. After he settled in Newark, NJ and became affectionately known as "Cowboy" here is where he remained. He cultivated his love for music through playing the back-up guitar as a member of the Dungs Band. He continued to express his love for music as DJ Cowboy. "Good music is my trademark" was printed on his business cards and it was the truth. He was a highly requested DJ for many parties, affairs, and celebrations. Cowboy's love and passion for music oozed out of him and others enjoyed it as well. People often said, "He brought the house down!"

For a brief period of time Cowboy played softball, but his favorite sport was bowling. In which he was a member of the United States Bowling Congress. He was a cherished member of many leagues, to name a few there was "The Old Tymers League", "Ernie Anderson Mix", and the N.A.P.E. League. He bowled in the TNBA Battle of the Sexes faithfully. He also participated in The Senior Tournament for ten years. The highlight of Cowboy's bowling career was when he received his ring for bowling a nearly perfect game. He scored 298 points on October 20, 1990. He was a true and sincere lover of the game.

Cowboy not only enjoyed leisure activities, he was a mechanic. While attending Engine City Technical Institute his instructor made the remarks, "Student will make a fine addition to the industry." Camptown Bus Company had the privilege of having such a student. He retired for Camptown Bus Company after thirty-five years of service as a master mechanic. Along with being a master mechanic he learned to drive the buses as well. Mr. James "T-Bone" Bowens was very instrumental in helping Cowboy in the early stages of him driving a bus properly. For seven years being highly requested, Cowboy combined both bowling and driving buses, along with another good friend Prenis "Pacman" Brooks, who drove a bowling group from Linden, NJ to Cincinnati, OH to participate in a bowling tournament.

Cowboy will always be remembered for doing what he loved and loving what he was doing.

Forever he will be missed by his children, LaTonia Shenice Davis of Claymont, DE; Sonji Kimara Lucas (Kenneth) Hester, Lynne Renee, and Byron DeAndre` (Tracy) Lucas of Gainesville, GA; two grandchildren, Kimara Marie and DeAndre` Byron of Gainesville, GA; two brothers, Alexander and Bobby Lucas of Rocky Mount, NC; a cherished companion, Vivian Brown of Effingham, SC and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Officiating.....Pastor John Exum III

Musical Interlude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort.....Evangelist Carnell Mitchum

Hymn of Comfort.....Missionary Mary Ethridge

Scripture Reading

Old Testament- Psalm 23.....Elder Akia Money

New Testament- 2 Timothy 4:6-8.....Min. Lenesha Thompson

Selection/Solo

Acknowledgements of Condolences.....Deacon Erica Smith

Words of Reflection.....James Bowens

Family Tribute.....Cynthia Lucas

Obituary.....Deacon Erica Smith

Selection/Solo.....Bishop Bruce V. Parham

Sermon.....Pastor Paul Shelly

Committal.....Bishop Bruce V. Parham

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

*Immediately following the interment family and friends are invited
for a repast back at the church.*

Come To Me

*God saw he was getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered "Come to me"
The days of toil and nights of pain
The weary hours have passed
The patient gentle worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Day and night we stood by him
And saw him in pain,
Anxiously awaiting his cure
But our waiting was in vain.
God who knoweth all things best
Eased his suffering, gave him rest
He is gone but not forgotten,
Never will our memories fade
Sweetest thoughts of him will ever linger
Round the place where he rests.*



Pall Bearers
Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express thanks to everyone who has offered prayers, extended acts of kindness and comforting expressions during this difficult and trying hour of bereavement. We wish to especially thank those of you who played a part in this special service. Thank You So Much!

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