

Funeral Service

for

Sunrise
September 10, 1934

Sunset
March 21, 2012

Donald Lee Hayward

Service

Friday, March 30, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

191-02 Linden Blvd.
St. Albans, New York 11412

Obituary



Donald Lee Hayward, son of the late Herbert Calvin Haywood and Estelle Mae Brown, began his rest on March 21, 2012.

He leaves behind: his partner, Jeanne Veronica Hayward; sisters, Dorothy and Rosemary; sons, Ronald, Erin and Bryan; brother-in-law, Edward; daughter-in-law, Marla; niece, Sherri; nephews, Donald, Edward and Conrad; grandsons, Michael and Terrance; granddaughters, Monique and Alani; great grandson, Michael 2nd; great granddaughter, Jayla; grandnephews, Andre, Foster and Zachary; grandniece, Chenal; and his best friend, Bob.

Donald was born during the Harlem Renaissance on September 10, 1934, at Harlem Hospital. During the early years, Donald grew up with his sisters, Dorothy, Sylvia, Delores and Rosemary living in the Bronx, Flushing and Corona.

He attended Aviation High School which his son, Ronald also attended a generation later. As a young adult, Donald began his life long commitment to serve his country and beloved city of New York by first joining the military and becoming a paratrooper in the Korean War. After serving in the war, Donald came home and worked until joining the NYPD in the late 50's. Starting at the 25th Precinct in Manhattan, he was among a small group of African American's that were included in the city's police department. He worked his way up to first grade detective, received many decorations and was highly respected by his fellow officers.

Donald finished his career serving his city once again, as a taxi driver helping thousands of people move around the great city of New York. Donald was a true New Yorker who contributed to his native community and helped it function as we know it today. He took pride in his work and did it well. Donald will truly be missed by his friends and family.

Order of Service

Processional

Acknowledgments

Obituary

Eulogy

Viewing

Benediction

Recessional



Interment

Flushing Cemetery
Flushing, New York

Suddenly

“Sorry I had to Leave You So Suddenly”

Sorry I had to leave in a sudden kind of way; didn't have time to call and say good-bye today. I knew you would understand, because that's the way you are; don't worry about the distance because I'm not really that far. Don't wait up and please don't cry you didn't hear me say good-bye.

-Author Unknown

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May God Bless and Keep You!

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