

*In Loving Memory of*



*Ralph Bernard Williams*  
*“Bee”*

*Sunrise*

September 24, 1952

*Sunset*

April 26, 2012

Service

Wednesday, May 2, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. David Jenkins, Officiating*

*Marvin Hadley, Organist*

## Obituary

Born in Harlem, New York and resided in the Bronx. **Ralph** worked at Bronx Psychiatric Center for the past thirty years and retired, he was known by many as “Bee” the Gentle Giant. Bronx Psychiatric Center is where he met his loving wife, Nadine Austin. It was love at first sight and it continues to be an extraordinary love story for the past twenty-four years.

Ralph was a great inspiration to many people, always calm and non-judgmental. He always had a kind word and respect toward humanity. He was forgiving and loving.

He was a Pro card player, and would spend hours with friends and family being the Spade Champion. He was a Champion and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Bee was also known for his skills in basketball as a player as well as the position of a Coach. He was a leader and teacher to the youth. He spent time coaching young men as well as mentoring them to stay in school. During the 1970's he was an outstanding professional Basketball player, playing ball with Tiny Archibald on the New York City Street.

He is survived by: his wife, Nadine Austin Williams; mother, Hazel Mainor; father, Bartholomew Richardson; children, Kenyatta, Jamal and Rashan; brother, David Mainor; sisters, Sandra and Louise; grandchildren, Kenyetta, Niyah, Jani, Issiah, Shawn and Ryan; nieces, Deria and Ebony; nephew, Devin; and a host of uncles, aunts, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

Cynthia Baldwin  
David Mainor  
Abraham Benjamin

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

Rev. David Jenkins

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

**Interment**

Rosedale Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey

*After the burial we will be gathering at the Diner for lunch all are welcome  
Pelham Bay Diner • 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
1920 East Gun Hill Road • Bronx, New York 10469.*



*To My Dearest Wife Nadine,  
This Is My Letter To You From Heaven*

I just wanted you to know that I arrived ok,  
I'm writing this from heaven, here I dwell with God above,  
here, there are no more tears of sadness, here is just eternal love,  
please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight,  
remember that I'm with you every morning, noon and night,  
that day I had to leave you when my life on earth was through,  
God picked me up and hugged me and said "I welcome you",  
it's good to have you back again, you were missed while you were gone.

As for your dearest wife, she'll be here later on,  
I need you here badly, you're part of my plan,  
God gave me a list of things that he wished for me to do,  
foremost on the list was to watch and care for you.  
When you lie in bed at night, the days chores put to flight,  
God and I are closest to you. In the middle of the night.  
When you think of my life on earth and all those loving years  
we been together they are bound to bring you to tears,  
please do not be afraid to cry, it does relieve the pain  
and remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.

I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned,  
but if I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand,  
but one thing is for certain, though my life here on earth is over,  
I'm closer to you now than I ever was before,  
there are many rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb,

but together we can do it by taking one day at a time,  
it was always my philosophy and I'd like it for you to.  
That as you give unto the world, the world will give to you,

If you can help somebody who's in sorrow and pain,  
then you can say to God... "My days were not in vain",  
now I am content, that my life has been worthwhile  
knowing as I passed along the way, I made you smile.

When you are walking down the street and you've got me on your mind,  
I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind,  
and when it's time for you to go, from that body to be free,

remember you're not going, your coming here with me, your everloving husband Bee!...

*P.S. To my loving wife Nadine I just want to thank you for taking care of me, you did a wonderful job, our love will never die because I'm in your heart forever,  
I love you dearly sweetie!!*

### *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to thank everyone for their condolences and best wishes during our time of bereavement.

Thank you, everyone for his or her support  
*"Grieve not nor speak of me with tears, but laugh  
and talk with me as though I was walking beside you"*

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