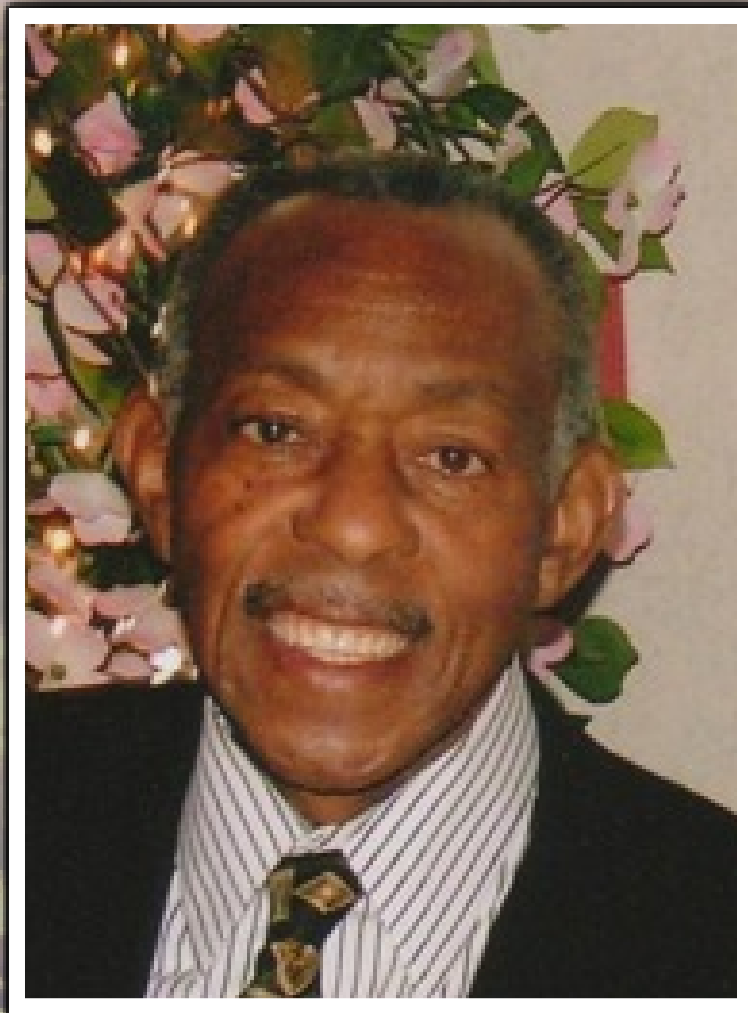


*Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life of*



John Jacob Cummins

Sunrise
January 19, 1931

Sunset
June 7, 2012

Service

Friday, June 15, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

Heard A.M.E. Church

310 East 8th Avenue

Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Archie Cummings, Jr., Pastor

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, and I have kept the faith"

Obituary

John Jacob Cummins was born on January 19, 1931 in Newark, NJ to the late Lewellyn A. Cummins and Lecolia F. Jackson-Cummins. John's family moved to Petersburg, VA, then to Summit, NJ, and later they moved to Roselle, NJ. John attended Abraham Clark High School in Roselle, NJ and graduated as one of the "48ers" in June 1948.

John served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict with 9 months of combat as a Radar Crew Chief with the 1st Field Artillery Observation Battalion Association. He received the "Korean Service Medal", the "United Nations Service Medal", and the "National Defense Service Medal" for his active service. He was honorably discharged from the USA Armed Forces with the rank of Sgt. in April 1950.

John began a career with the U. S. Postal Service, in 1950 from which he retired in September 1985 after 34 years of service. He remained a member of John Enz Branch #67 National Associations of Letter Carriers, Quarter Century Club of Postal Employees, and National Association of Retired Federal Employees. In 1962, John was selected and honored by the Post Office Branch #67 to go to Washington DC to place a wreath on President John F. Kennedy's grave and to see the "Eternal Torch" and the "Changing of the Guards" there at that site. In November 2010, John received a "Gold Life Membership Card and Gold Pin" and a Letter of Congratulations from the President of the National Association of Letter Carriers Branch #67 who held a membership in the association for 50 consecutive years.

John married Maurice Anna Mosley on September 12, 1954 at Heard A.M.E. Church Roselle, NJ by Rev. L.H. Midgetie. They were blessed with three wonderful and loving children: Beverly Rose Cummins-Wright, Robert Louis Cummins and John Maurice Cummins.

John was a member of Heard A.M.E. Church since early childhood. He was a member of the Trustee Board, the Senior Choir, the Emergency Choir, the Male Chorus, and the Men's Fellowship Club. John received an award for the "Father of the Year" in 1990 and in October 2011, he was awarded with a plaque during the Men's Day Worship Service for his outstanding service and contributions to Heard A.M.E. Church and the community of Roselle, NJ.

John was a devoted volunteer member of "The Salvation Army and Youth and Family Division Summer Camp" program in Elizabeth, NJ for over 15 years. He made arrangements and provided transportation for many under-privileged boys to go to summer camp at "Camp Tecumseh" in Pittstown, NJ. John provided clothes for kids in need to attend camp.

John served on the Board of Directors of the Union County Anti-Poverty Agency. He was a member-chairperson of the Roselle Welfare Board for over 20 years. He was a Den Leader of Boy Scout Troop #51, Roselle, NJ. He was a member of St. Joseph Little League, serving as coach and umpire. He was a member of the Roselle Untouchables and P.B.A. #99 Touch Football Teams. He was a member and officer in the Roselle Pop Warner Football Organization and received the Outstanding Member Contributor – 1978 and Life-Long Member Award – 1989.

John was a volunteer and part-time Librarian at Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School, (formerly Lincoln School), and the Roselle Public Library. While volunteering at Polk School, he was the class Santa Claus and chaperone on many of the class trips. John was member of the Abraham Clark High School (A.C.H.S.) Booster Club in Roselle, NJ. He was the Grand Marshall of the A.C.H.S. "Homecoming" Parade – 1993 and Breakfast of Champions" Parade – 1994, and a Charter member of Project Graduation, Roselle, NJ.

He was a former member of the Rutgers University Touchdown Club, Piscataway, NJ. In 2003, the Rutgers Touchdown Club Newsletter "First & Ten" added a new featured article which spotlights a member who has exhibited exceptional support to the Touchdown Club. John was the 1st member featured for his continued support in Rutgers Athletic programs. He was featured again in 2011 as a man for all seasons.

John was a Roselle Optimist Charter member where he served on the Board of Directors and past President. He initiated the "Student of the Month" in Roselle Public Schools in 1990 for which the Roselle project received 2nd place honors in the International competition. John became a life member in 1991 and received a Life Member Merit Award in 1994. John was elected Lt. Governor Zone 3 Optimist International NJ District for the 1995-1996 Optimist year.

He was awarded joint resolution from NJ senate and General Assembly for Community Service 1996. He received an Award of Commendation for Community Service from the Mayor and Council of Roselle, NJ 1996. He received an Award of Commendation for Outstanding Contribution to Union County and Mankind from the Mayor and Council of Roselle, NJ May 2000. John was a Recipient of the NAACP Community Service Award – 1996. He was a recipient of the "Outstanding Community Service Award" from the National Council of Negro Women – The Roselle Section – May 2000. The Borough of Roselle 21st Century Ad Hoc Committee honored John with an award – October 2000.

John has had many bouts of illnesses, but the Lord gave him strength to endure his suffering. He has fought a good battle and now he is at peace. John Jacob Cummins departed this life peacefully on June 7, 2012 at the age of 81 at Trinitas Regional Medical Center Elizabeth, NJ. He leaves to cherish fond memories: his beloved wife Maurice (Mosley) Cummins of 57 years. His loving and devoted children Beverly Rose Cummins-Wright of Waycross, GA, Robert Louis Cummins (Paige) of St. Johns, FL and John Maurice Cummins (Sonia) of Piscataway, NJ, his wonderful grandchildren (5) Tiffany Rose Cummins, Marcus Robert Cummins, Jennifer Lennay Cummins, Devin Kent Wright, and Michelle Ann Cummins and 2 great-grand children Kamari Grant Atkins and Carter Scott Neal. John leaves to mourn his brother Francis Jackson Cummins (Jean) of Rancho Cordova, CA and his sister-in-law Ernestine Wactor Cummins of Avenel, NJ. John was predeceased by his twin brothers Alfred Brewer Cummins and Alexander Cecil Cummins and his sister Mary Elizabeth Cummins. John also leaves to mourn, nieces, nephews, cousins, a host of other relatives, many friends and the Heard A.M.E. Church family.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully, The Family

Order of Service

Organ PreludeMs. Dorothy Mayner
ProcessionalClergy and Family
A Parting ViewThe Family
Hymn of Comfort“It is Well with My Soul”Hymn #448
Prayer of ComfortRev. George H. White, Jr.
Scriptures
Old Testament: Psalm 27Rev. Naomi Myers
New Testament: Revelation 22:12-14Bro. Ronald Grobes
Solo“My Task”Ms. Regina Edwards
Words of Comfort..... Bishop Wayne L. Johnson
Bibleway Deliverance Center, Roselle, NJ
Deacon West Coleman, Jr.
Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Roselle, NJ
Rev. Betty Hoskins, Asst. Pastor
Heard A.M.E. Church, Roselle, NJ
Rev. Dr. James Coaxum, III
St. James Church A.M.E. Church, Atlantic City, NJ
Musical Selection“One Day at a Time”Mrs. Sarah Wilson
ReflectionsMr. James Brazil
Mr. William Tate
Dr. Iver Peterson
Mr. Robert Sumner
Hymn“He Touched Me” Hymn #402 - Mr. Norman Pinnix
Family TributesMrs. Sonia DeLon-Cummins
Mr. John M. Cummins
Ms. Beverly R. Cummins-Wright
Mrs. Paige Reaves Cummins
Mr. Robert L. Cummins
Acknowledgement of Condolences and ResolutionsMs. Joannette H. Keyes
Obituary (to be read silently)
Hymn“I Trust in God”Hymn #453 - Mrs. Dorothy King
EulogyRev. Archie Cummings, Jr., Pastor
Recessional.....“Precious Memories”Heard A.M.E. Choirs
IntermentRosedale Cemetery, Linden, NJ

Repast

Immediately following the Interment, family and friends are invited to return to the Dining Hall at Heard A.M.E. Church for a Repast and Fellowship

Pall Bearers

Mr. Marcus R. Cummins
Mr. Brandon J. Cunningham
Mr. Wesley R. Cunningham

Mr. Nicanor Lopez, Jr.
Mr. Jarelle D. Mosley
Mr. Devin K. Wright



“MEN OF FAITH REFLECT GOD’S LOVE”

Honorary Pall Bearers

Mr. Earl Adams
Mr. Jim Harmon
Mr. Roger Hutchins

Dr. Iver Peterson
Mr. Rudolph Sandlin
Mr. George Williams

Flower Bearers

Granddaughters, Family & Friends

Acknowledgement

The beautiful floral tributes, cards, telephone calls and visits were a great source of strength and comfort. The family of John Jacob Cummins acknowledges with our deepest appreciation and gratitude all of your thoughtfulness, kindness and sympathy in his passing. We will always keep you in our prayers.
May God continue to bless you.

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