

Celebrating the Life of



James "Jimmy" Riley

May 17, 1929 - June 12, 2012

*I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course,
I have kept the faith.*

Saturday, June 16, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church

1002 Rivington Street
Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Milton A. Byrd, Pastor

Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Officiating

I'm Resting

*I've parted this life my loved one,
But worry not for I am not gone,
I am merely resting.*

*Don't cry or mourn
For God is with you
And in your hearts. Carry on.
We will miss each other,
But remember God is with us all.*

*Be strong my loved one,
For I am not gone,
But merely resting.*

- Author unknown



Life's Journey

James “Jimmy” Riley began his earthly journey on May 17, 1929 in Aiken County, South Carolina, son of the late Frank and Rachel Riley. He completed his education in the Aiken County School system. At an early age, he left South Carolina to seek employment in Florida, New York and New Jersey.

In the 1960s, he made New Jersey his permanent residence, where he met and married the lovely Pauline Barnes who preceded him in death on August 7, 2011.

James was affectionately known as “Jimmy” to his family. For over twenty-eight years, Jimmy was the proprietor of Riley’s Barber Shop in Linden. He was a true “Jack of All Trades.” He was an exterminator, plowed the soil for gardens and did snow removal. He also enjoyed managing his garden in the park behind his home.

Jimmy completed his earthly journey on Tuesday, June 12, 2012. He will be missed, but not forgotten by his family, community and the nursing home where everyone loved and respected him.

He was predeceased by his brothers Salenus and Robert Riley and sister Cleo Douglas.

Surviving are his devoted daughter, Veronica Riley of Linden; step-daughter, Carolyn Sue Grimes of Hartwell, Georgia; two sisters, Rubenia Stallings of Beach Island, South Carolina and Mary Miles of Bath, South Carolina; three grandchildren, Curtis Cobb (Trisha), Amy Gaines and Lakeisha Gaines; three great-grandchildren, two caring god granddaughters, Jada Lewis and LaShay Durham, and a host of sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, and all of you.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Order of Service

Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Officiating

Organist

Janet Hollins

Procession

Prayer of Comfort

Bishop Wayne L. Johnson

Scripture Reading

Old Testament & New Testament

Ms. Marie Williams

Selection

Choir

Reflections

Ms. Jackie Allen

Ms. Jamie Gass

Mrs. Rubenia Stallings

Obituary & Acknowledgements

Ms. Sherry Thompson

Solo

Deacon Theodore Goodman

Eulogy

Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Pastor

Bibleway Deliverance Center, Roselle, New Jersey

Benediction – Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery

Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

206 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, NJ 07203

www.ggwoodyfuneralhome.com

“Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through Sincere Service”

I Am Always With You

*When I am gone,
Release me, let me go.*

*I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with
Too many tears, But be thankful we
Had so many good years.*

*I gave you my love, and you can only
Guess how much you've given me in
Happiness. I thank you for the love
That you have shown, But now it is
Time I traveled on alone. So grieve
For me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be
Comforted by trust,
That it is only for a while that we
Must part, So treasure the memories
Within my heart. I won't be far away
For life goes on. And if you need me,
Call and I will come. Though you
Can't see or touch me,
I will be near and if you listen with
Your heart, You'll hear all my love
Around you soft and clear.*

*~We are as the wings of a butterfly,
Bound together with the love of God.*

Pallbearers

Nephews



Repast

Immediately following Interment:
Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church
1002 Rivington Street
Roselle, New Jersey 07203

Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there, I did not die.

Acknowledgement

The family of **James “Jimmy” Riley** would like to acknowledge with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this hour of bereavement.

