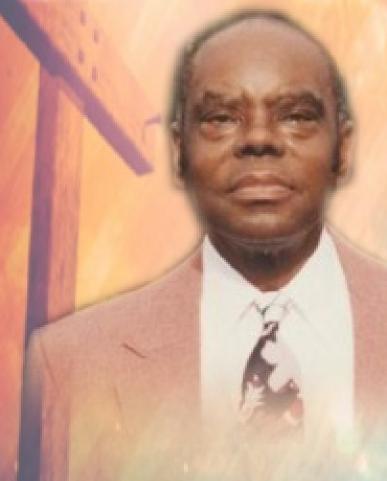
Home-Going Service for Brother James Edward Harper

Sunrise June 17, 1936 Sunset '
June 14, 2012



Services

Friday, June 22, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

160 Oakwood Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050 **Rev. William M. Freeman, Pastor**

<u>Obituary</u>

James Edward Harper was born June 17, 1936 to John R. and Gertrude Mae Oliver Harper in Chase City, Virginia. James was reared in the Concord Baptist Church. He attended public school in Chase City until the age of eight, at which time he relocated to Newark, NJ. He united with Union Baptist Church at an early age, and continued his formal education in the public school system until he graduated from Central High School.

James proudly served in the Army and received an honorable discharge. He continued in service to his country in the Army Reserve.

He united in holy matrimony with Evelyn L. Tharrington June 29, 1963. To this union two children were born: Kimberly and Patricia. Together they raised their children in the church and took part in the ministries of the church. He often spoke fondly of his service as an Usher at Union Baptist Church.

James worked for many years as a supervisor at S. Klien Department Store until it went out of business. He then rendered service as a custodian at Union Baptist Church, following which he worked as a senior animal lab technician at UMDNJ in Newark, spending twenty-one years there before he retired in September 2000, due to illness.

James E. Harper departed this life on Thursday, June 14, 2012, at the John Paul II Pavillion at St. Mary's Life Center and Long Term Care Facility in Orange, NJ at the age of seventy-five.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Evelyn L.; two daughters, Kimberly Harper and Patricia Tucker; three grandchildren, Jasmine Harper, LeChaí Mills and Naheem Harper; one great granddaughter, Ajanae Harris; one brother, Robert (Lena) Harper of Loris, South Carolina; and a host of other relatives and friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Prelude	. Sister Yvonne Holmes
Call to Worship & Invocation	Rev. W.M. Freeman
Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 121 New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 Gospel - John 14:1-7	
Prayer	
Ministry of Music	"I Won't Complain" Bro. Gerald Miller
Acknowledgements	
Family Tribute - Poem	read by Jasmine Harper
Obituary	Sister Jasmine Harper
Ministry of Music "His E	Eye Is On The Sparrow" Sister LeChaí Mills
Message	Rev. W.M. Freeman
Hymn	"I'll Fly Away" #432
Recessional	Clergy, Family, Friends
Postlude	. Sister Yvonne Holmes

Entombment

Hollywood Memorial Park & Cemetery Union, New Jersey

Following the entombment we are inviting all of you back to Union Baptist Church for lunch and fellowship.)

What Makes A Dad

God took the strength of a mountain The majesty of a tree The warmth of a summer sun The calm of a quiet sea The generous soul of nature The comforting arm of night The wisdom of the ages, The power of the eagles flight The joy of a morning in spring The faith of a mustard seed The patience of eternity The depth of a family need Then God combined these qualities When there was nothing more to add He know his masterpiece was complete As so, He called it, " DAD"!

The Chain Will Link Again Little did we know that morning, God was going to call your name. *In life we loved you dearly,* in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you. you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories, your love is still our guide. And although we cannot see you, you are always by our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same. But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again. -Author unknown

<u>Acknowledgements</u>

The family is deeply grateful and thankful to all for your kindness and compassion you have expressed to us in our bereavement. Your calls, your cards, and other expression of love and support mean so much to us. We thank Pastor Freeman and our Church Family for the special support you have been to us. May God bless all of you with a double portion of His love and grace.

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