

Sunrise May 12, 1928 Sunset January 18, 2013

Service

Friday, January 25, 2013 - 12:00 Noon

ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH

139-145 AM Tyler Place

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton, Officiating Ron Faison, Organist

Reflections of Life

Ezekiel DeLoach, Jr., was born in Greene County, AL on May 12, 1928 to the late Ezekiel DeLoach, Sr. and Angie (Snoddy) DeLoach. He was the oldest child of eleven children. Ezekiel married the late Gladys Lee Rogers DeLoach and out of that union fifteen children were born. Ezekiel moved to Paterson, NJ in 1954 and began working in construction with his late brother-in-law, Obie Mason, Sr. In 1969, Ezekiel decided to start his own construction business. He trained his three sons continued with the business.

After retirement, Ezekiel relocated to Greenville, SC where his sister, Dorothy resided. He joined the Grovers Chapel Baptist Church in Greenwood, SC shortly after moving to SC. Then he met and married Beatrice Turner DeLoach on October 23, 2005.

Ezekiel gave his life to Christ at an early age. While living in Paterson, NJ, he joined the St. Luke Baptist Church and served as a Trustee for many years under the leadership of Rev. A.M. Tyler.

Ezekiel was affectionately known as "Pap" to many relatives and friends. He had a quiet demeanor and was kind and generous to everyone. If there was anything that he could assist his family and friends with his support was there. Ezekiel was a wonderful husband, a loving father and a great friend.

Ezekiel was preceded in death by his four sons, Ezekiel III, Gary, James and Charles, three brothers, Thomas, Roosevelt and Philliphine, one sister, Lucille Carter and sister-in-law, Bernice Bennington.

On Friday, January 18, 2013, Ezekiel was called home.

In his celebration of life, Ezekiel leaves to cherish his memories: a faithful and devoted wife of eight years, Beatrice DeLoach; two sons, David (Dottie) DeLoach of Clifton, NJ and Michael (Nancy) DeLoach of Clifton, NJ; nine daughters, Mildred DeLoach of Raleigh, NC, Minister, Margaret DeLoach of Little Falls, NJ, Cheryl Price of Clifton, NJ, Deborah Davis and Linda Lee of Raleigh, NC, Cynthia (Newbern) Love of Paterson, NJ, Michelle (Roy) Pervis of Little Ferry, NJ, Diane (Leonard) Herrington of Haledon, NJ and Laurie DeLoach (Nadir) of Philadelphia, PA; two special stepsons, Terrance Bryant of Mauldin, SC, Carmichael Bryant of Columbia, SC; one stepdaughter, June Bryant-Hayden, NJ Upper Marlboro, MD; two brothers, Columbus (Gwen) DeLoach and Carl DeLoach of Cleveland, OH; five sisters, Johnnie Mae Mason of Paterson, NJ, Queen E. (Nathaniel) Foster of Fairfield, CA, Anna Kate Lewis of Los Angeles, CA, Dorothy Lanier of Fort Mill, SC and Claira (Milton) Crouch of Mauldin, SC; twentythree grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren; one uncle, Sam (Mary Lee) Snoddy of Tuscaloosa, AL; three aunts, Doretha Garrett of Paterson, NJ, Eloise Gibson of Tuscaloosa, AL and Severe Strode of Boligee, AL; a very special friend, Willie Drayt of Whiteville, NC; four special sisters-in-law, Sarah Miller and Jimmie Lois Miller both of Paterson, Mary Connor and Ethel Murray both of Greenwood, SC; special motherin-law, Alberta Miller; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, family.

Order of Service

Hymn of Comfort #132" *Amazing Grace*"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23 - Rev. Andre Alston New Testament - John 14:1-6 - Min. Margaret DeLoach

The Prayer of ComfortRev. Nathaniel Foster

The Hymn of Hope and Assurance #411 "Lift Him Up"

Expressions of Sympathy and Comfort Rev. Nathaniel Foster Dorothy Lanier

Family Tribute Diane Herrington

Reflections of LifeCheryl Price

SelectionLaurie DeLoach

The Message of Comfort Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton

Recessional #432 "I'll Fly Away"

<u>Interment</u> Cedar Lawn Cemetery Paterson, New Jersey















1 Am 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.





















Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Ezekiel DeLoach** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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