

In Loving Memory of



Ernest Hicks

Sunrise
June 3, 1922

Sunset
April 15, 2013

Service

Thursday, April 18, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY

Obituary

Mr. Ernest Hicks, ninety years old, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 15, 2013 at Holy Name Hospital. Mr. Hicks was born to Sarah Alice Sanders and Joseph Hicks on June 3, 1922, in Leesburg, Florida.

Mr. Hicks served in the Air Force for many years and retired as a honorary veteran in 1943. He retired from the New York City Housing Authority, where he worked as a fireman for over twenty years.

Mr. Hicks married Dorothy in 1959 (She preceded him in Glory) and they attended Convent Ave. Baptist Church. Until his recent hospital stay, Mr. Hicks would reminisce fondly of his time at Convent. He always said he loved serving the Lord and attending his church. He was a very gentle man, who always had a smile on his face when you greeted him. Didn't ask for much, just feed him and let him look at T.V. and he was fine.

Mr. Hicks went on to do many things after he retired. He moved to Philadelphia and worked as a presser in a cleaners and did many odd jobs until he became ill and moved to Teaneck, New Jersey with his daughter Sandra Hicks. Sandra, took her (**Dad**, as she affectionately called him) in to live with her and her family and dedicated her time to caring for him daily for the past five years. He knew that he was loved and cared for.

He is survived and leaves to celebrate his long, fruitful life: his sister, Mary Alice Wilson; sister-in-law, Ruth Brown; brother-in-law, Willie Brown; his step-son, Willie Rhinehart and his daughter, Sandra Hicks; he also leaves his grandson and great-grandson, Alan Lord II and Alan Lord III; granddaughter, Larisha Merritt; and a host of many loving nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

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Committal

Viewing

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Interment

Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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