




*Homegoing Service  
Celebrating the Life Of*

*Sunrise*  
October 21, 1957

*Sunset*  
April 13, 2013




*Minister of Music  
Hugh Gregory Potts, Sr.*


*"May The Work I Have Done Speak For Me."*

Homegoing Service  
Tuesday, April 23, 2013 ~ 11:00 a.m.

**VICTORY FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES**



1350 West Blancke Street  
Linden, New Jersey 07036  
Rev. Michael Fitch, Sr., Pastor  
Pastor Warren Fitch, Officiating  
Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Eulogist





## Remembering Hugh

**Hugh Gregory Potts, Sr.**, was born on October 21, 1957 in Elizabeth, New Jersey, son of Ruthie M. Towler and Edward J. Potts, Jr. He was a lifelong resident of Linden. Hugh graduated from Linden High School in the Class of 1976.

He was an excellent musician and played for many churches including Emmanuel Tabernacle Assembly of God and First Baptist Church both in Linden, St. Matthew Baptist Church and Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church both in Roselle and Mt. Zion AME Church of Plainfield just to name a few. At the present time, he was the Minister of Music at Heard A. M. E. Church in Roselle for three years and was also the Organist for G.G. Woody Funeral Home.

Hugh was a songwriter, music producer, and composer. He was the CEO of *Hughnique Music Productions* in Linden. He received numerous awards for his diverse musical talents such as the New Jersey State award for the First Saxophone Seat. Hugh enjoyed playing the organ, keyboard, clarinet, flute and guitar. He would always say he could play every instrument “except the drums”.

He was an actor who made appearances on several television shows. At the time of his passing, he was in a production of the upcoming movie, *The Amazing Spiderman 2*.

Hugh was a classy musician, gentle giant, and a sharp dresser who will surely be missed by his family, friends and the community.

He was predeceased by his brother, Thomas L. Towler and niece, Tamara E. Towler. Hugh Gregory Potts, Sr. passed away suddenly on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Rahway Hospital in Rahway.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted wife, Florence *Gina* Potts; his children: Vaughn Potts, Captain Hugh Potts, II and Sharice Wilks-Jones; his dear mother, Ruthie M. Towler and father, Edward J. Potts, Jr.; three brothers, Duane Potts, Bishop Andrew Potts, Sr. (Tyniah) and Howard Towler, Jr.; one and only sister, Faith Grace Towler-Perkins (Tyrone); one granddaughter, Cedaya Jones; nieces, nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

*Sorrowfully submitted,  
The Family*





# Order Of Service

Vincent Jefferys, Organist

- Processional ..... Select Clergy and Musicians
- Prayer of Comfort .....Pastor Ernest Vaughan
- Scriptures .....Pastor Archie Cummings, Jr.  
 Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 9:11-12  
 New Testament - 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:50-58
- Musical Selection ....“Testimony”..... Written by Hugh Potts, Sr.  
 & Robert Williams
- Expressions of Comfort .....Select Clergy and Family
- Saxophone Solo .“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” .....Benny Barksdale
- Expressions of Comfort .....Select Clergy and Family
- Acknowledgements  
 and Reading of Obituary .....Dr. Tyniah Potts, Sister-in-law
- Family Tribute .....Bishop Andrew Potts, Sr., Brother
- Musical Tribute ....“My Life Is Yours” ..... Faith Towler-Perkins, Sister  
 Featuring Tanya McAllister-Miller
- Eulogy .....Bishop Wayne L. Johnson
- Closing Remarks .....Faith Towler-Perkins
- Closing Song ...“Going Up Yonder”.....Featuring Vocalist of Hugh Potts, Sr.  
 & Benny Barksdale, Jr. on Alto Saxophone
- Recessional ...“Strings of Passion”.....Featuring Hugh Potts, Sr.  
 & Duane Potts, Brother

**Cremation**  
 Rosehill Crematory  
 Linden, New Jersey

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**G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC**  
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## Pall Bearers

Family and Friends of **Hugh Gregory Potts, Sr.**

### Hugh's Note

*The music plays in the House of God  
Brothers and sisters in praise move  
Filling hearts with beautiful worship  
And the rhythm of one man's groove.*

*His keystrokes take control  
His heart touches our sky  
Bidding farewell to our brother  
Leaves us asking why.*

*But he is not gone for he is always there  
Holding each of our hands in spirit  
And his music still plays  
Like always we all can hear it.*

*So brother this is not farewell  
His soul's sound is not at the end of its days  
We can hear the lingering sound of the keystroke  
Your music still plays.*

*Written by, Hugh Potts II*

### Acknowledgement

The family of **Hugh Gregory Potts, Sr.** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement.

We will always keep you in our prayers.

May God continue to richly bless you.

