

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall



Acknowledgements

We are most grateful to God for the gift of friends like you, who have been so kind and thoughtful during these hours of sorrow. Your prayers, visits, calls, flowers and every act of kindness have given us strength and inspiration for facing of this hour. May God ever bless each of you. The Family

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In Loving Memory of

Raymond

Alonzo

Gordon

"Raheem"



Service

Wednesday, July 17, 2013 - 12:00 Noon

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street
Newark, New Jersey

Minister Linda Battle, Officiating

Sunrise

March 22, 1965

Sunset

July 2, 2013

Order of Service

Opening Remarks	
Solo	Troy Daniels
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament	
New Testament	
Prayer of Comfort	
Solo	Sis. Ebony Henry
Acknowledgement / Reflections.....	(2 minutes please)
Obituary	
Solo	Sis. Cora Jackson
Eulogy	Minister Linda Battle
	Springfield AME Church • Grenta, FL
Recessional	

Interment
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

Family and friends are invited to join us at the Christian Pentecostal Church, 971 Clinton Avenue, Irvington, NJ (between Grove Street and Harrison Place) for a repast immediately following the interment.

Obituary

Raymond Alonzo Gordon (“Raheem”) was born in Gretna, Florida on March 22, 1965 to Lela Gordon and the late Johnny Gordon. When Raymond was a small child his parents moved to Newark, NJ, and then later to Irvington, NJ and at an early age he met God and was baptized.

Raymond was educated in the Irvington Public School system, and in 2000 he married Cheryl Jenkins. Despite Raymond’s disability, he worked as manager at the Laundry Zone in Roselle and East Orange, New Jersey.

Raymond’s love for others stretched far and wide. His smile, personality, love for cooking and sense of humor touched many lives - the young and the old, even his dogs, especially “Symba”. Raymond called his mother and brother every morning to say good morning and to say I love you.

Raymond leaves to cherish his memory: a devoted wife, Cheryl Jenkins Gordon, Irvington, NJ; one daughter, Aliyah Jenkins; one son, Jaquil Jenkins, Westfield, NJ; devoted mother, Lela Gordon, Irvington, NJ; two brothers, Johnny Gordon (Cora), Irvington, NJ and Chris Stizza, Arizona; one sister, Angela Cross Asaaga, Edison, NJ; three aunts, Betty Fluker (Willie), Mary Robinson and Olivia House, Gretna, FL; one uncle, Jimmy House, Midway, FL; mother-in-law, Mary A. Jenkins, Roselle, NJ; four brothers-in-law, Walter Jenkins, Jr., South Carolina, Gene Jenkins, Madison, NJ, David Jenkins, Wayne Jenkins, Newark, NJ; five sisters-in-law, Charlene Gilbert, Diana Jenkins, Westfield, NJ, Michele Jenkins, Beverly Edwards, Roselle, NJ and Tracy Jenkins, Linden, NJ; very good friend, Omar Perry; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Raymond Alonzo Gordon