

In Loving Memory  
of  
**Ronald Lowery**

**Sunrise**  
*July 21, 1948*

**Sunset**  
*July 10, 2013*



*Service*

Friday, July 19, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

130 Main Street

Orange, New Jersey

**Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating**

**Emory Lee, Organist**

## Obituary

**Ronald Lowery**, age 64 of Newark, New Jersey passed on July 10, 2013 surrounded by his family. He was born on July 21, 1948 to Colossain Conner and Moses Thompson. He was known to his family and friends as “Ronnie”. He was educated in the Newark Public School System.

At the early age of sixteen, Ronnie graduated from the Newark Police Academy from the 1st Newark Police Auxiliary Class. He extended his passion for serving his country. By the age of eighteen he enlisted into the US Armed Forces, Army Branch, and was honorably discharged. Ronnie dedicated many years to hard work and helping others. He began a long career in the security profession and loved to spend time with family and friends.

Ronnie joined the Masons in the late 1980’s. He also enjoyed dancing, listening to music and although he embraced life, he was stern and hot headed. Ronnie’s three older brothers founded a club named “The Executives” where Ronnie elected himself an honorary member.

On January 22, 1977, Ronnie married his first love Theresa (Hall) Lowery and from this union they raised three beautiful girls, Toshonda, Qwana and Sakirah. After their separation Ronnie later met Lillie Goodman, his fiancée, with whom he spent the rest of his days. She along with his family supported Ronnie until his last days.

He is survived by his first wife, Theresa Lowery; fiancée, Lillie Goodman; three daughters, Toshonda Johnson, Qwana Lowery and Sakirah Lowery; sister, April Gail Virhuez-Collins; four grandchildren, Kujuan, Essence, Terrel and Sanyah; one great grandson, Nasir; nieces, Iva, Victoria, Kathleen, Renee, Yolanda, Colossain and April Julia; nephews, John, Alfonso, Rudolph and Joseph; and a host of cousins and other relatives.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Payson, Sunny, Moses and grandson, Keelan Lowery.

# Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Seating of Family

Hymn

*"I Cry To The Lord"* - Elder Fondrea Lewis

Scripture Readings

Prayer of Comfort  
Rev. Edward Allen

Solo

*"Eye Is On The Sparrow"* - Elder Fondrea Lewis

Reflections  
Family & Friends

Obituary  
Victoria Lowery

Eulogy  
Rev. Edward Allen

Recessional

## Cremation

Rosedale Cemetery  
Orange, New Jersey

*Repast immediately following the cremation at  
392 Kerrigan Blvd • Newark, NJ*

# Footprints

*One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to him, and the other to the LORD. When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave". The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you".*

*-Mary Stevenson*

## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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