

In Loving Memory of

A portrait of a Black man, Andrew Blacks, Sr., wearing a dark blue baseball cap with a white brim, a light-colored checkered shirt, and a gold chain. He is looking slightly to the left of the camera. The background is a bright blue sky with white clouds.

Andrew Blacks, Sr.

Sunrise

November 7, 1953

Sunset

September 17, 2013

Service

Wednesday, September 25, 2013 - 12:00 noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY

Rev. Joseph T. Bright, Jr., Officiating

Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Obituary



Andrew Blacks, Sr., son of Willie and Ruth Blacks, was born on the seventh day of November 1953. His spirit transitioned from his temporal earthly body on the seventeenth day of September 2013, into the comforting arms of our heavenly father, Jesus the Christ where he will receive a new and perfect body that will last throughout eternity.

Andrew was raised in Harlem, New York where he attended the public schools of New York City, he graduated from Brooklyn Technical High School and continued his education at Winston Salem State University.

He married his long time girlfriend, Mitzie and through this union bore one son.

Andrew obtained employment with the Knickerbocker Bank, ultimately changing careers and securing a position with Verizon Incorporated.

Andrew enjoyed fun and games, family gatherings, and debating sports. His favorite pastimes were listening to music and creating projects around the house, although he loved all sports, he was an avid basketball fan, who often boasted about his great basketball abilities, which he displayed during his formative years, while playing on various teams.

Andrew was a man of integrity, who possessed a strong ethical and moral character. His demeanor was always pleasant and amicable.

He was a faithful husband, loyal father, good son, proud brother, and a wonderful in-law, and his presence will surely be missed by all those he met on his journey through life.

Andrew leaves to cherish his memories: his devoted wife, Mitzie L. Blacks; one beloved son, Andrew Blacks, Jr.; his loving parents, Willie and Ruth Blacks; one brother, Glen Darby of SC; two sisters, Deborah Presidents and Patricia Hayes, both of Atlanta, GA; mother-in-law, Ella Mae Thomas; three sisters-in-law, Betty Thomas and Renee Thomas both of NYC, Deborah Blacks of Bronx NY; three brothers-in-law, Curtis Thomas of NYC, Jimmy President and Orville Haynes of Atlanta, GA; nieces, Zakkiyya, Elethia and Melody; nephews, Wakhai, Waliek, James, Tarod, Curtie and Ellison; grand nieces, Cali and Melani; grand nephews, Jesse and Carter; and a host of aunts, uncles and friends.



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Reading Of The Obituary

James Thomas

Words

By James Thomas

Poem

Gamila Miller

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Joseph T. Bright, Sr.

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Maple Grove Cemetery
Hackensack, New Jersey

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

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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