

# God Looked Around His Garden

*God looked around His garden  
and found an empty place.  
Then He looked down upon the earth  
and saw your tired face.  
He placed His arms around you  
and lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
for He only takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew you were in pain,  
He saw the road was getting rough  
and the hills were hard to climb,  
so He closed your eyes and whispered  
"Peace be Thine."*

*It broke our hearts to lose you  
but you did not go alone,  
a part of us went with you  
the day God called you home.  
If love would have saved you,  
you never would have died.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late **James A. Smalls** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

*May God Bless and Keep You!*

*A special thanks to Christian Love Baptist Church and Mother Tee.*



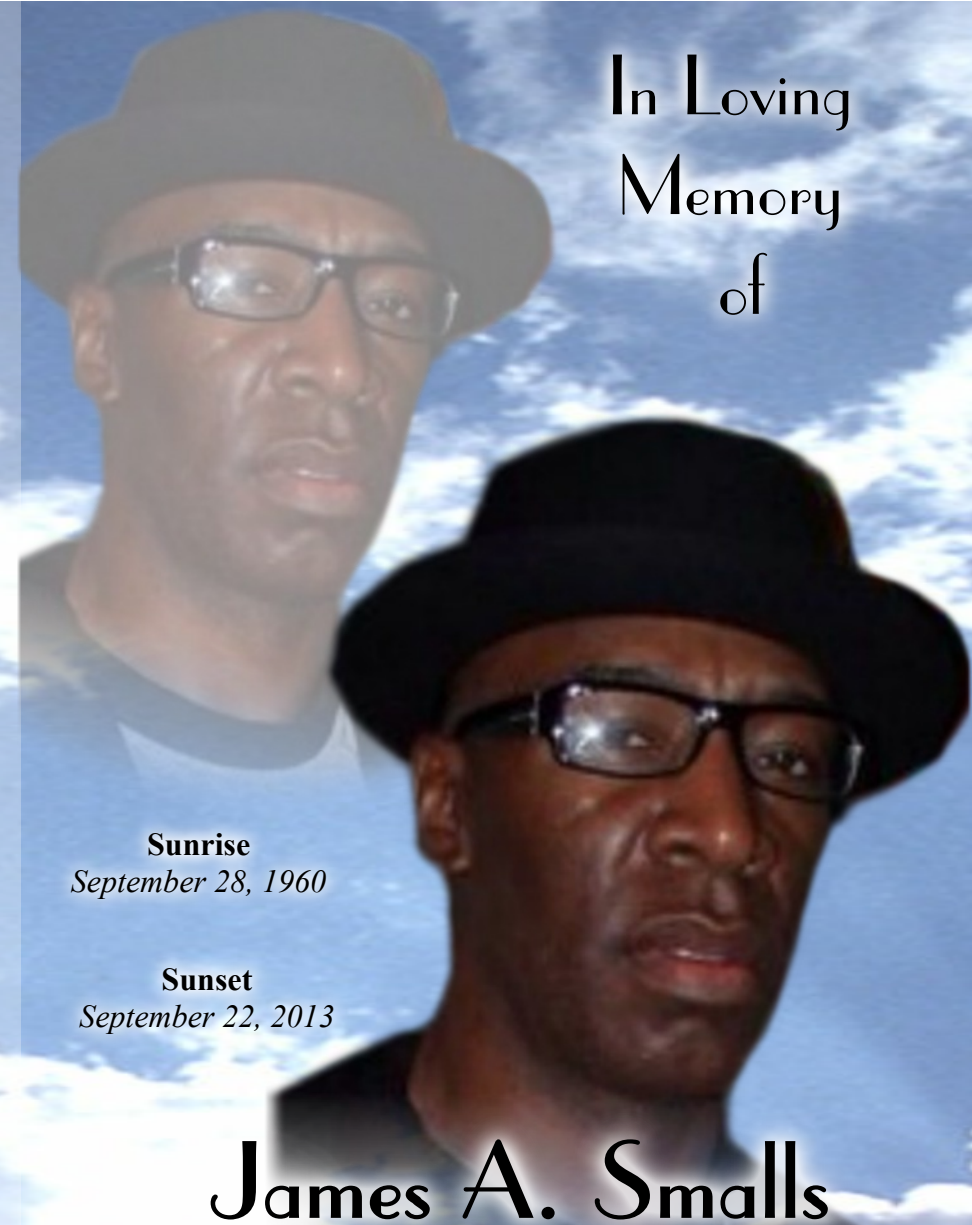
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In Loving  
Memory  
of



**Sunrise**

*September 28, 1960*

**Sunset**

*September 22, 2013*

**James A. Smalls**  
**"Marad"**

**Service**

Monday, September 30, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN LOVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

830 Lyons Avenue • Irvington, NJ  
*Rev. Ron Christian, Officiating*  
*Bro. Michael Gammage, Organist*

# Order of Service

- Musical Prelude
- Scripture Readings.....Clergy of Christian Love Baptist Church
  - Old Testament
  - New Testament
- Prayer..... Clergy
- Selection..... “His Eyes Are On The Sparrow”  
Deborah Robinson
- Poem
- Selection .....Deborah Robinson
- Remarks and Reflections ..... (under two minutes please)
- Obituary Reading
- Eulogy.....Rev. Ron Christian
- Final Viewing
- Recessional

# Obituary

**James A. Smalls** affectionately known as “**Butch**” and “**Marad**”. He was born in the Newark City Hospital September 28, 1960 to James A. Smalls, Jr. and the late Josephine Smalls. Marad passed from this life on September 22, 2013.

Marad was educated in the Newark Public School System.

At an early age, Marad excepted Christ in his life. He then decided to follow the teachings and belief as he became part of the Fruit of Islam. Marad attended Christian Love Baptist Church for the past four years.

Marad had many hobbies such as basketball, boxing (like his dad) and he was a phenomenal chess player. Who would challenge the fact he was the best player in Essex County? You would see Marad in the club showing his dancing skills and all of a sudden he would break out in a Russian Split.

Marad started his own construction company, Marad General Contractors. He had a special love for tools and had a TOOL FOR EVERYTHING.

Marad was predeceased by his mother, Josephine Smalls who passed July 7, 2013, uncle, Jan Carl Bylden and all his grandparents.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his father, James A. Smalls, Jr. and his stepmother, Gloria Smalls; one brother, Jason Smalls; sister-in-law, Dyani Smalls; one niece, Naomi Smalls; three uncles, Godfrey Smalls, Uken Fredricks and Elton Leonard; one aunt, Emma Thomas all from St. Thomas USVI. Marad is also survived by a host of other relatives and special friends.

*As Marad would say “ My word is my Bond!”*

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