

In Loving Memory of



Noel Harrison Williams

December 27, 1945 – November 1, 2013

Service

Monday, November 11, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

Grace Church Van Vorst

39 Erie Street

Jersey City, New Jersey

Rev. Laurie Jean Wurm, Officiating

Obituary

Born in Jersey City, NJ on December 27, 1945, **Noel Harrison Williams** was the beloved youngest child of the late Frank Williams and Angelina Harris Williams. Through their support and encouragement he grew to become a renaissance man. His lively spirit, entrepreneurship and volunteerism – in the arts, community and education would be the hallmark of his life.

An avid reader, his hunger to learn and discuss new ideas, history and current events was insatiable. He graduated James J. Ferris High School in Jersey City, NJ and successfully completed his undergraduate and master's from Jersey City State College. A Vietnam era soldier who served in South Korea as a chaplain's assistant, he also served this country by enlisting in the National Guard for more than fifteen years.

Even as an adolescent, Noel had an entrepreneurial spirit, whether acting in Broadway plays, selling newspapers, or shining shoes, he believed in working hard and creating a way for himself. He volunteered his entire life: as a teenager he served as an altar boy, sang on the church choir and taught Sunday school and music at Grace Church and continued to volunteer as a reading tutor even until his latter years when his impaired vision forced him to stop. He was a member of the Battleship Commission and a representative for the NJEA. He enjoyed music and the arts immensely and loved to laugh.

Noel was a husband to Catherine Lorraine Culler and Jeanette Marie Daniels-Williams. A father to Ledlie, Alicia Courtney, Noelle Lorraine and Ashley Williams and grandfather to Tramain L.C. Williams and two great granddaughters Asiyah and Asada.

He is predeceased by his grandson Asad Williams, parents Angelina and Frank Williams and his siblings Irving Harris, Richard Williams, Shirley Butler, Loretta Viney, Franklin Williams and foster brother Willie Marshall.

He is survived by his sisters Patricia Clerk and Geraldine High and his sisters in law Hazel Williams, Melrose Harris and Liddie E. Hagan, a brother in law Kenny Butler, Charles and Nedlie Conyers and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Interment

*Tuesday, November 12, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.
Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey*

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



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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