



*In Loving
Memory
of*

Alphonso Strauss, Jr.
"Al June"

Sunrise

August 25, 1941

Sunset

December 4, 2013

Service

Friday, December 13, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

11 Ashland Avenue • East Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

Alphonso Strauss, Jr., 72, was born August 25, 1941 in Trenton, New Jersey, to the late Vera and Alphonso Strauss.

Alphonso came to Newark in the 1950's. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1959 to 1961. Alphonso worked as a Detective in the Essex County Sheriff's Office, also as a Corrections Officer at County Jail and Northern State Prison. He attended the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. He was a Drill Master and Founder of Calvalier Drill Team in Orange, New Jersey.

Alphonso was married to Paula Strauss. He was the father of three children and step father of two.

He leaves to cherish his memory: Brett Strauss, Lance Smith, Asia Strauss, Darnell Walker and the late Michell Walker; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; he also leaves a brother, Sonny McKenzie; uncle, Abe McKenzie; aunt, Elizabeth Montgomery; a very special and devoted friend, Carl (Jinkle) Lea, Jr.; and a host of relatives, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.



Order of Service

Processional

Invocation

Selection

Scripture Lesson

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

Acknowledgments

& Obituary

Eulogy

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

New Jersey Veterans Cemetery

Wrightstown, New Jersey

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

Acknowledgements

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kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.*

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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