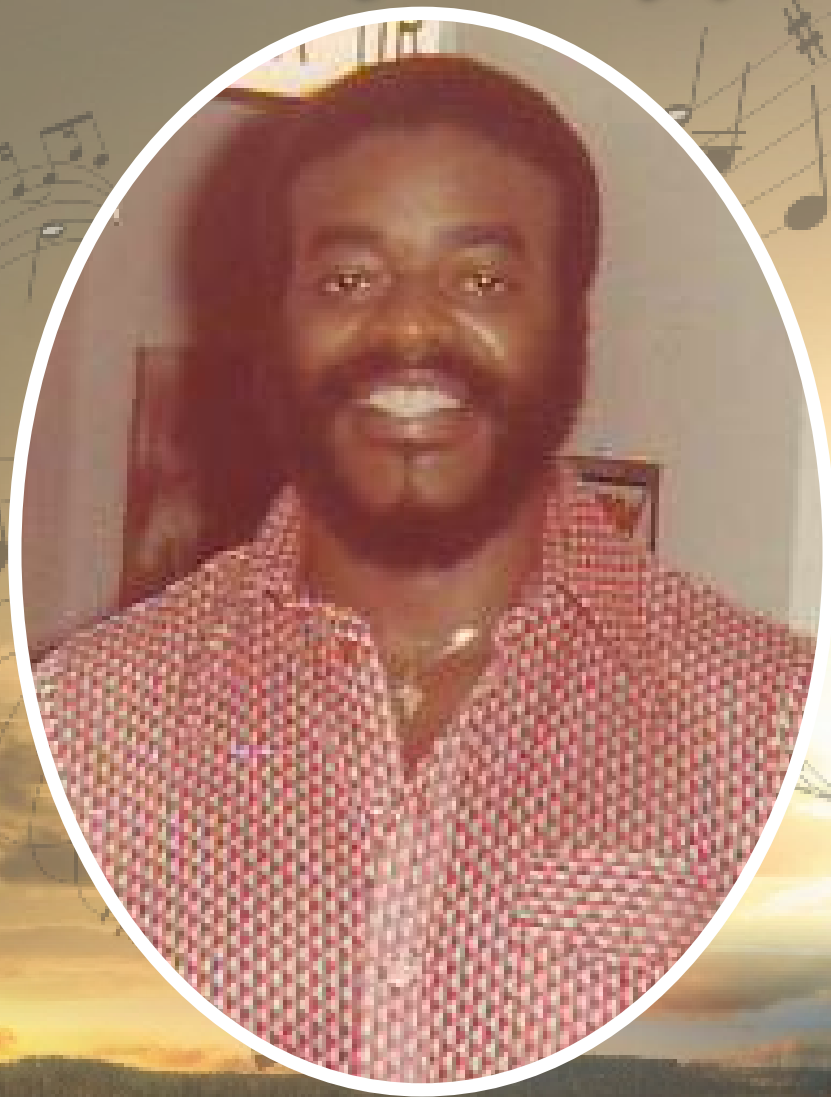


In Loving Memory of



Victor Morrison

Sunrise

January 17, 1952

Sunset

May 6, 2014

Service

Tuesday, May 13, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Trinity U.M.C.

581 Clinton Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Obituary

Born on January 17, 1952, to Beatrice Morrison and the late Millard F. Morrison, Victor Morrison was a man of extraordinary dignity, intellect and artistic prowess. He was called home to glory on May 6, 2014. He was preceded in death by his sister, the late Olivia Morrison and his brother, the late Carl Knight Morrison.

Victor was educated in the Newark Public Schools and in 1970 graduated from the city's historic Central High School. He then attended Rutgers University- Newark, from which he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in 1976. Not surprisingly, he majored in Social Work. During his years as a college student, he was an active, indeed a legacy member of the Black Organization of Students, which in 1969 mounted the famous Liberation of Conklin Hall on February 24, 1969 on the Newark Campus.

A man of multiple talents and interests, Victor was an avid sports enthusiast. In his youth, he excelled in track and field and in basketball. Those who knew him well, and there are many, will remember that he was a deft pool player. He also loved to cook for those he cared deeply about and over time acquired the qualities of a master chef.

Victor met his soul mate and his future bride, Gwendolyn Ann Lloyd, in January of 1977. They were married on June 11, 1983. From that precious union was born their only child, their daughter, Niama-Nicole. He was consistently a kind and loving husband and father, deeply devoted to his wife and his daughter and to other family members and friends of long standing.

Born into a family of musicians, Victor was passionate about all types of music. He was an aficionado of modern jazz, rhythm and blues, and traditional African American sacred music, among other genres. His interest in music was brilliantly exemplified in his life as an artist. He was among the most gifted singers of his generation, with a voice that soared from first tenor to a resonating baritone and bass. Such talents, remarkable to say the least, were invested in his years of loyal membership in the North Jersey Philharmonic Glee Club, which he joined in 1974. As the veritable anchor of the Philharmonic's bass section, Victor was a soloist on numerous songs that secured the Glee Club's stature as an artistic treasure in New Jersey and one of the nation's oldest singing ensembles. Victor recruited younger singers to the Glee Club and performed with it for many years, including legendary appearances at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. and the White House. The men of the Glee Club were indeed Victor's Brothers in Song. He remained an active member until he was called home.

A child and beneficiary of the modern civil rights movement, Victor remained a socially conscious citizen throughout his life. He dedicated much of his time to assisting those in need, particularly children and families. For most of his professional career, he labored in the vineyards of non-profit agencies and organizations serving underprivileged children. He held positions as youth and or family counselor and spent several years as director of The Essex County Parks Commission. He also worked with Integrity, Inc., counseling ex-offenders to become productive, engaged members of the community.

Victor would encourage his family and friends to live as he lived, as a dynamic human being exemplified through his artistry, his charitable spirit and his fealty to family and friends. He leaves to carry on his legacy his wife, Gwendolyn Morrison; daughter, Niama-Nicole Morrison both of Newark, NJ; mother, Beatrice Morrison of Newark, NJ; two brothers, Bruce Morrison (Diane) of Plainfield, NJ; Eric Morrison of Newark, NJ; one uncle, Frank Morrison (Delores) of Newark, NJ; two aunts, Yvonne Hollis and Iona Morrison, both of Newark, NJ; one brother-in-law, James Lloyd of Newark, NJ; two sisters-in-law, Shirley Lloyd of Newark, NJ; Patricia Lloyd of South Bound Brook, NJ; special sons, Martin and Bruce Hanks of Linden, NJ; Shakarr Haig of Rochester, NY; Mark Cato of Newark, NJ; special daughters, Saaberah Smith of Newark, NJ; Michelle and Nadea Harrison of Englewood, NJ, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order Service

Organ Prelude.....Walter Sorey

Processional

Prayer of Comfort..... Reverend Cornelius Eaddy,
Pastor, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, PA

Musical Selection.....Walter Sorey

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Musical Selection.....The North Jersey Philharmonic Glee Club

Acknowledgements.....Reverend Elliotte Raines, Pastor

Obituary.....Nadea Harrison

Expressions.....Family and Friends (2 minutes each please)

Eulogy.....Walter Sorey

Benediction.....Reverend Elliotte Raines, Pastor

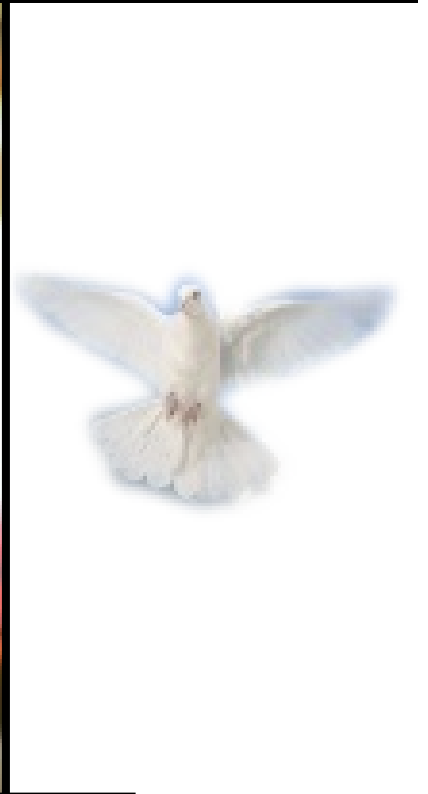
Recessional

Organ Postlude.....Walter Sorey

Interment
Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

*Immediately following the service, the repast will be held at:
Trinity United Methodist Church
581 Clinton Avenue, Newark, NJ*





TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE
VICTOR MORRISON

“When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll.
Whatever my lot thou hast taught me to say, “It is well; it is well with my soul.”

WHEREAS: Words are inadequate to express our sympathy in the passing of your loved one, know that we, the Ministers, Officers and members of the Saint James AME Church share in your sorrow.

WHEREAS: God in His infinite wisdom has called from the labors of this life to the rewards of Heaven the soul of Bro. Victor Morrison, child of God, relative of our beloved's, Niama Morrison & Family.

WHEREAS: We look to God, the Author and Finisher of our faith for comfort knowing He is too wise to err and too just to falter and is always by our side, know that our hearts and our prayers will be with the family for only God is able to strengthen and sustain you during this time.

BE IT RESOLVED: That we bow in humble submission to the Will of Almighty God and we commend his spirit to God and;

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED: That this resolution is given to the family and a copy be placed in the files of the church.

This resolution is done by the order of:
Saint James AME Church

Rev. Ronald L. Slaughter, Senior Pastor





When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

-Author unknown

To My Husband

If I had to live my life all over again, Victor, I would want to live it with you.
~Your loving wife.

In Appreciation

The family of **Victor Morrison** acknowledges with sincere appreciation each act of kindness shown to us during this difficult time. May God bless each of you for your love and support.

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