

GREATER ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Rev. Robert Royal, Officiating Marvin Hadley, Organist



On Thursday, June 5, 2014, God called home one of his children, **Paul Chaplin**, otherwise known as **The Player or Mr. PC.**

Paul was born September 1, 1927, to Paul and Evelyn Chaplin, in Florence, South Carolina. At an early age, Paul realized that his ambition was bigger than what his surroundings in South Carolina could produce. This is where his entrepreneurial (HUSTLER) sprit was born. Paul wanting more from life, he knew that being a big fish in a small pond would not fulfill his dreams. So, he decided to pack up and move to New York; the "Big City" to run with the foxes and hounds.

Along the way Paul met and married Jacqueline Marshall. They had three beautiful daughters: Sandra Chaplin (deceased), Evelyn Holmes (deceased) and Paulette Wright. After his marriage to Jacqueline ended, he reunited with his childhood love, from back home in Charleston, Irene Lewis. The family was then extended to include five children from Irene's previous marriage: George, Emanuel, Alvin (Deceased), Renee & Juanita. From this union all of their children were raised together as siblings.

Once in New York, PC was able to take jobs with humble beginnings like shining shoes and garment transporter; he later translated them into selling furs and starting businesses such as a Dry Cleaner, Corner Store, Fish N Chip Spot and his crown jewel the Seville Lounge (On the same block where he shined shoes earlier in life). He really hit his stride and received his biggest success in Real Estate, where he founded Paul Chaplin Enterprises. The Seville went on to become an institution in the village of Harlem; hosting holiday events, a yearly Boat Ride (Hosted by PC and his crew The Players Club in their Captains Attire), music videos and his famous birthday bashes where people would come from all over the 50 states to celebrate with him.

PC himself went on to become a pillar in Harlem that spanned across generations; known as a symbol of success you always knew you could find him outside of the Seville on 126th Street and 7th Avenue suited and booted, with a cigar hanging out of his mouth and his late model Cadillac Seville freshly washed. Because Everyone from the down and out, to politicians (Charles Rangel, Inez Dickens, Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson), musicians (P. Diddy, Maxwell, Cuba Gooding Sr.), actors (Sammy Davis Jr., Teddy Savalas), and a few Good Fellas, other business owners and also your everyday working person would call on him for advice from time to time. PC was there for countless people in their time of need even if the favor was not always returned.

A true Harlemite PC was known for his love of Money, Clothes, Cars (Cadillac's, the Zimmer and the Rolls Royce), Jewelry, Cigars and Playing the Numbers. But for us who truly knew him and loved him knew he had a greater love for his family (due to his trips back to Charleston to put flowers on his aunts grave site), Irene, all of his children, grandchildren, great- grandchildren and last but not least the NEW YORK YANKEES. But if you ever were fortunate to make his acquaintance you were sure to hear at least one or more of the following notable quotes; "Resting and Dressing", "Nothing but Something to Do", "I would not leave New York to go to Heaven", "All I Drink is Champagne" (Except for the occasional Moon Shine) and the infamous "Crazy Baby".

PC was not without flaws but Harlem as well as anyone who has ever crossed paths with him knew he was a 1 of 1, none before him and none to come. Paul leaves behind: his children, Paulette, George Emanuel III, Renee and Juanita; one son-in-law, Rodney A. Lewis; grandchildren, Tony, Richard, Edith, Lil Paul, GG, Malinda, Darnel, Rodney E., William, Kenyetta, Jasmine and Vonthello; great-grandchildren, Nicole, Malika, Shannel, Sharell, Carl, Zykeia, Kayla, Nyasia, Kierra, Kyree, Derek, Kaiah, Danielle, LeLe, Rodney Trey and Jason; great-great-grandchildren, Corey, Paris.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

The Holy Praise	"In The Garden"
The Holy Scriptures	Rev. Robert Royal
The Prayer of Consolation	
The Solo	
Saxophone Solo	"Precious Lord" Lonnie Youngblood
Tributes and Words of Consolation	Dickey Bubs
The Resolutions & Acknowledgements	Rev. Robert Royal
The Obituary	Rev. Robert Royal
Saxophone Solo	"I Did It My Way" Lonnie Youngblood
The Eulogy	Rev. Robert Royal
The Committal	
The Benediction	Rev. Robert Royal
The Recessional Hymn"When We All Go To Heaven"	

Interment

Fair Lawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

The Chain Will Link Again

Little did we know that morning, God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories, your love is still our guide. And although we cannot see you, you are always by our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same. But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

-Author unknown

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

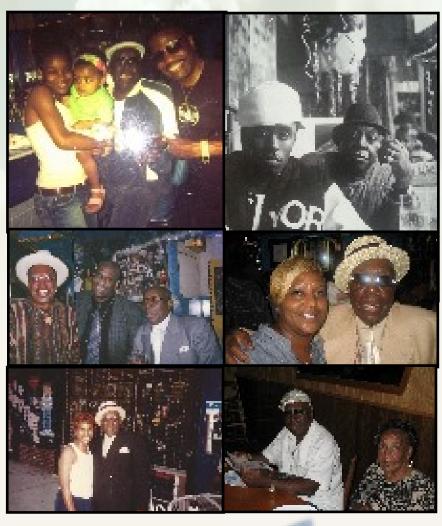
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