In Loving Memory

Willie "William" Bradley

Sunrise February 6, 1930

Sunset July 30, 2014

Service Friday, August 8, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**First Hopewell Baptist Church** 

525 Orange Street Newark, New Jersey

<u>Order of Service</u>

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP .....PSALM 100 THE OPENING HYMN...... "BLESSED ASSURANCE" THE PRAYER OF COMFORT THE READING OF SCRIPTURE The Old Testament - Job 14:1-7 The New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 MUSICAL SELECTION THE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & RESOLUTIONS REMARKS ...... The Church, Rev. Garlic, Dwight Bradley OBITUARY ......(Read Silently) MUSICAL SELECTION THE WORDS OF COMFORT ..... PASTOR PORTER MUSICAL SELECTION.. "HOLD TO GOD'S UNCHANGING HAND" THE PRESENTATION OF THE FLAG \*THE RECESSIONAL \*THE COMMITTAL AND BENEDICTION ROSEDALE CEMETERY, ORANGE, N.J. \*Congregation Standing



## February 6, 1930 – July 30, 2014

*Willie Bradley, Jr.* was born on February 6, 1930 to the late Willie Sr. and Nettie Hill-Bradley in Memphis, TN.

He graduated from Manassas High School in Memphis, TN. He received a college degree from Essex County Junior College. He also was awarded the National Who's Who among students in American Junior Colleges. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Rutgers University in Sociology.

After receiving an honorable discharge for serving over three years in the United States Army. He relocated to Newark, New Jersey. He was self-employed as a home painter and repairman for 25 years until he became disabled.

William gave his life to the Lord at an early age at the Antioch Baptist Church in Memphis, TN. In 1954 he joined the Hopewell Baptist Church, Newark under the tutelage of Pastor Riley and he became active in several auxiliaries: Gospel Choir, Christian Education, Sunday school, and Visitation ministries. In 1970 he transferred his membership to the First Hopewell Baptist Church, Newark and there he was active in the music, teaching, evangelism and mission ministries. He was also active in local, state and national religious, political and social concerns as they affected African American community.

He leaves to cherish his memory, one son Dwight D. Bradley, one sister Mattie B. Plummer of Memphis, TN, one granddaughter Mari-Moriah Ezell, one niece Linda Ward (Robert) both of Nashville, TN., one aunt Ophelia Dansberry of Memphis, TN and a devoted friend Lois Brownridge, a host of cousins and other relatives and friends.

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Miss Me, But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

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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