

*Celebrating the Life  
Of  
Maxie R. Loncke*



*Sunrise*  
January 2, 1948

*Sunset*  
August 2, 2014

*Saturday, August 9, 2014  
Ten o'clock in the morning*  
**ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*139 Carroll Street  
Paterson, New Jersey 07501*

*Pastor Kenneth D.R. Clayton, Officiating*




## *Beyond The Sunset*

*Should you go first and  
I remain to walk the  
road alone, I'll live  
in memories garden  
dear, with happy days we've known  
In spring I'll wait for roses red, when faded,  
the lilacs blue. In early fall when brown  
leaves fall, I'll catch a glimpse of you.*

*Should you go first and I remain, for battle  
to be fought each thing you've touched  
along the way will be a hallowed spot. I'll  
hear your voice, I'll see your smile though  
blindly I may grope, The memory of your  
helping hand will buoy me on with hope.*

*Should you go first and I remain, one thing  
I'll have you do: Walk slowly down that long  
long path, for soon one day I'll follow you.  
I want to know each step you  
take, so I may take the  
same. For someday  
down that lonely  
road you'll hear  
me call your  
name.*



# Order of Service

*Reverend Kenneth D. R. Clayton, Officiating*

## **Hymn of Comfort**

*“Just a Little Talk with Jesus”*

## **Scripture Readings**

**Old Testament - Psalm 23**

*Briana Fitzgerald*

## **New Testament**

**John 14: 1-4 & John 14: 6-7**

*Kile Patrick McNair*

## **Prayer of Comfort**

## **Hymn of Hope and Assurance**

*“We’ll Understand it Better By and By”*

## **Expressions of Sympathy and Comfort**

*(2 mins each)*

## **Acknowledgements and Reflections of Life**

*Sakeema Freeman and Devonte’ Ragin*

## **Selection**

## **The Message of Comfort**

*Reverend Kenneth D.R. Clayton, Senior Pastor*

*St. Luke Baptist Church*

## **Recessional**

*“When We All Get to Heaven”*



## *Reflections of Life*

*“To live in the hearts we leave behind, is not to die.”*

Thomas Campbell

**Maxie Raoul Loncke** of Elmwood Park, New Jersey, peacefully entered the Throne of Grace on August 2, 2014. “Max”, as his friends and family knew him, was born on January 2, 1948, in Georgetown, Guyana, to the late Eseline and Carlton Ivor “CI” Loncke. He attended elementary school, Tutorial High, Queens College and The University in Guyana before migrating to Paterson, New Jersey in 1969. He is predeceased by his loving parents and a dear sister Lynette.

In 1969, Maxie gained employment as a teller at the First National Bank (later known as First Union) in Paterson, New Jersey. Within the first six months, he received a promotion to Head Teller and over the years he worked his way up to Branch Manager. In 2000, Max left the banking world and accepted a position in the accounting department at New Jersey Transit. He was employed there for more than thirteen years, up until the time of his death.

Max loved giving financial advice (sometimes unsolicited) and working with figures. He completed several continuing education accounting courses and was certified by the IRS as an official Tax Preparer. He represented his clients in tax audits with the IRS and was a member of the National Society of Tax Professionals. Over the years he prepared taxes for hundreds of individuals, several businesses and served as a mortgage consultant. Twenty years ago he started L&L Asset Management and Tax Preparation Services. His clients adored him and it was not unusual for Max to prepare taxes pro bono for seniors on a fixed budget who needed assistance. He was a member of St. Luke Baptist Church and was involved in community activities in Paterson, Newark and Elmwood Park.

Max loved life and cherished every day that the Lord blessed him to see. He had a charismatic, magnetic personality and his presence always lit up a room. As a matter of fact, he was always the life of the party. Max “never met a stranger,” and he was known for his trademark “prince charming” smile that melted hearts. Everybody he met had a “Maxie” story to tell.

In 1980, he married Jannie Williams and they shared many marital and parental experiences that taught them life lessons along the way. They loved to entertain and host gatherings with family, friends and co-workers. Max was blessed to be the father of two beautiful daughters and “PopPop” to three dynamic grandchildren. His home was always filled with the children’s friends, however, Max’s foremost enjoyment came from the New York Giants Football Team. He was an avid Giants fan and attended many of their home games enduring all types of weather to see his Giants play.

Left to cherish his memory are, his wife of 34 years, Jannie (Williams) Loncke; two daughters Sybilree Fitzgerald of Glen Ridge, NJ and Maxine “Angie” Loncke-McNair (Keith P.) of Norfolk, Virginia; three grandchildren, Briana Fitzgerald, Kile P. McNair and Karington Fitzgerald; two brothers Vernon Loncke (Jackie) and Dennis Loncke (Rosilyn); four sisters Mayleen Paul (Eugene), Osnah Smith (Aubrey), Mona Kish and Phoebe Fraites; one brother in-law Charles Williams (Jeanie); three sisters-in-law Rainey McQueen (William), Peggy Gouveia (Carl) and Sybilree Holmes (Ernest); special niece Sherri Ragin; devoted friends Jose Cruz (Karen) and Rodney McKnight (Renee); two godchildren Elizabeth Carter and Sakeema Freeman; along with a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, clients, co-workers and friends.

*If tears could build a stairway, and memories a lane,  
We’d walk right up to Heaven, and bring you home  
again.*

*Sorrowfully submitted,  
The Family*

## *Scripture*

*“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”*

*Revelation 21:4*

# *Pallbearers*

Rodney McKnight  
Kenneth Sumpter  
Veree Freeman

Climmie Royal  
Keith P. McNair  
Nigel Loncke

## *Appreciation*

*The Loncke Family is extremely grateful for all acts of kindness extended to us during this most difficult time. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and the outpouring of love and support.*

***Please continue to keep us in your prayers .***

*Please know that your words, deeds  
and prayers comforted us  
beyond expectation. May God bestow his richest  
blessings upon you and keep you in His care!*



## *Repast*

*The Family and Friends are invited to  
the St. Luke Baptist Church Founders Hall  
in the lower level of the church for a repast,  
immediately following the service.*

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