

Remembrance for the Life of



Leon Cambridge Byass

Sunrise
June 8, 1923

Sunset
September 16, 2014

Service

Tuesday, September 23, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey 07112

Dr. Gershom Byass-Officiating Pastor

Order of Service

Invocation.....Dr. Gershom Byass

Old Testament Reading Nigel James
(Ecclesiastes 3:1-4)

Selection Organist

Obituary Merlene Joseph

New Testament Reading Joseph Rascoe
(2 Timothy 4:6-8)

Reflections
Oscar S. James, Sr.
James Beckles
Jeran Crawford

Eulogy Dr. Pastor Gershom Byass

Recessional Organist

Interment

Graceland Memorial Park
Kenilworth, New Jersey

Repast

Kenilworth Inn
60 S. 31st Street
Kenilworth, NJ

Obituary

Leon Cambridge Byass, aka “Camo”, was born in Vryheid, New Amsterdam, Guyana on June 8, 1923 to Jacob and Hannah Byass, both deceased.

Leon attended Berbice High School in Berbice, Guyana. He was trained and employed as a Chemist and Druggist student at Berbice Hospital. Later, he was transferred to Georgetown Hospital where he successfully passed the Chemist and Druggist (C&D) Exam.

In Georgetown, Leon met and fell in love with Lurline Beckles. The two were married on July 4, 1951. Their union produced four children, Lorraine Crawford (Jeffrey, de), Leslyn Rascoe (Joseph), Leon Byass and Linden Byass.

Lurline and Leon migrated to the United States in 1962 and 1963, respectively. They took up residence in Newark, New Jersey.

Leon continued his career in pharmaceutical science working first for Cargille Pharmaceuticals, Cedar Grove, NJ and later, Sandoz, E. Hanover, NJ. During this time, “Camo”, continued his education receiving his B.S. in Chemistry from Jersey City State College.

In 1973, “Camo”, became an area supervisor of Pharmaceutical Production at Ciba-Geigy, Summit, NJ, he received his MPA (Masters of Public Administration) in 1979, from Rutgers University.

Leon was a Master Mason in the Order of Masons and a Past President of the Guyanese Cultural Association (GCA).

“Camo” was a loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved, Lurline; four children; seven grandchildren, James Byass-Rascoe (Jennifer), Allison Rascoe, Joseph Rascoe, Jeran Crawford, Danielle Crawford-Burroughs (Charles), Leah Byass and Sol Byass; three great grandchildren, Grayson Byass-Rascoe, Mikalya Burroughs and Charles Burroughs, Jr.

He is also survived by two brothers, Dr. Gershom Byass (Maude), Esrick Byass (Eloise); one sister, Esther Robinson; one brother-in-law, Edgar Beckles; one sister-in-law, Sheila King; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

“We love you “Camo” you will forever be in our hearts!” ♥♥♥♥♥

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Pallbearers

Grandsons:

James Byass-Rascoe
Jeran Crawford
Joseph Rascoe, Jr.

Son, Nephews

Leon Byass
Oscar James
James Beckles

Asleep

*I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep,
So there's no reason for you to weep;
This is a debt we all must pay,
You will see me again someday.
I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow,
Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.
But life for you must go on,
You must not worry because I'm gone.
You stood beside me all the way,
When I was down, you knew what to say ...
You always told me, "get some rest,"
Let me sleep now, I've done my best.
So please let me rest in peace,
The tears you're shedding soon will cease.
You'll soon realize this was meant to be,
I thank God because He came for me.*

-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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