

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*



# *Grover Drakeford*

**Sunrise**

*December 7, 1918*

**Sunset**

*September 20, 2014*

*Thursday, September 25, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.*

**COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**

224 First Street • Englewood, New Jersey 07631

*Dr. Lester W. Taylor, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Grover Drakeford**, was born on December 7, 1918 to the late Frank Drakeford and Ada Wright. He was the fifth of seven children.

Grover was raised in Dumont, New Jersey. He graduated from Dumont High School and was placed in their Hall of Fame for his outstanding performance in football and baseball. During his teenage years, he worked as a caddy at a local golf course which is where his love of golf began.

Grover was a member of the United States Army and served in the Korean War and World War II. As Master First Sergeant, he was Honorably Discharged in 1951. He was decorated with many awards and acclamations.

Soon after returning home, he began working for the Red & Tan Bus Lines. He retired from there in 1986 and immediately began to work for the Overpeck Golf Course in Teaneck, as a Golf Ranger. He was still employed there until July 2014.

Grover married the love of his life, Gertrude Ella Holmes, on March 9, 1946. They had four children; Joseph, Dennis, Linda and Michael. He dedicated his life to his family and providing a stable home. He was a diligent worker and took pride in his work and in his family. There was only three places you could find him- work, home, or on the golf course!

Grover peacefully passed away on September 20, 2014 at his home in Teaneck.

Predeceased by his wife and children, he is survived by: nine grandchildren; Nicole, Hasan, Jasmine, Sean, Danielle, Lisa, Joe Jr., Tommy and Danny. He is also survived by eleven great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

## Order of Service

Processional of Family and Final Viewing

Invocation

Opening Hymn

The Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection/Solo

Expressions of Condolences

Reflection

The Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection

The Message of Hope.....Pastor Taylor

Closing Hymn

The Benediction

Recessional

### Interment

Brigadier General William C. Doyle  
Veterans Memorial Cemetery  
Wrightstown, New Jersey

***Please join the Drakeford Family immediately after  
Funeral Service for a Repast at:  
177 Hamilton Road  
Teaneck, New Jersey 07666***

# Don't

*Don't spend too much time in mourning,  
Tears are for the sad;  
I left to be with Jesus  
And this should make you glad.  
Don't waste your hours in grieving,  
No need to feel distress;  
I'm tired of life's frustrations  
And had to get some rest.  
Don't puzzle yourself with questions  
Or try to reason why  
Life here for me was ended,  
It came my time to die.  
Don't lose the love I gave you  
Feed it with your care;  
Grow it with devotion  
And spread it everywhere.  
Don't fret because my leaving  
Came in such a way;  
We'll have another meeting  
In God's eternal day.*

*-Author unknown*

## Acknowledgement

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

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