

Obituary

Carl Ford was born and raised in St. Catherine, Jamaica W.I. in 1938. In 1960, he immigrated to Yorkshire, England, where he studied Mechanical Engineering at Bradford Technical College. To support himself, he drove a double-decker bus for Bradford Transportation.

Carl emigrated from England to the United States in December of 1969. In 1970, after many attempts to find a job in his field of Mechanical Engineering, he decided to attend the Maco Charm Beauty School in Newark. This was something he always wanted to do because of his love of cutting hair, both ladies and gents. After graduating from beauty school, Carl worked for Roy Davis Hair Care Salon and then for Boswell's House of Coiffure where he managed a beauty salon for the owner.

In September of 1976, Carl opened Ford's Beauty Salon at 559 Grove Street, Irvington, where it still remains. Ford's Beauty Salon is a famous landmark in Irvington.

Carl had been a member of the Irvington Chamber of Commerce for over twenty years and has been very active on the Board of Directors. He served as 2nd Vice President from 1996 to 1998 and 1st Vice President 1998 to 2000. In 2000 through 2002, he became the first African-American President for the Chamber. Carl was also a member of the Township Planning Board and was very active in many community services.

Carl has the support of his wife and family and all his loyal customers. He was blessed to have many faithful clients who only came to Ford's Beauty Salon to receive the benefit of his beauty culture expertise.

Order of Service

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Welcome With Scripture/Words of Comfort

Welcome With Scripture/Words of Comfort				
Opening Prayer				
Opening Hymn #4 "How Great Thou Art"				
Scripture Readings and Reflections Rev. Deborah Oosterbaan From Isaiah 55 From Psalm 91 or 46 From I Corinthians 15 From John 3				
Solo				
Obituary				
Tributes				
Eulogy The Rev. Dr. Alfred Johnson				
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer				
Concluding Hymn #414 "I Heard The Voice of Jesus Say"				
Commendation				
Recessional "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder"				
Postlude				
Committal Service				

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me,

Acknowledgements

God wanted me now, He set me free!

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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