# Celebrating the Life Of Huzell Lawrence, Jr. "Huzz"

January 31, 1949 – October 2, 2014



Service
Tuesday, October 14, 2014 ~ 11:00 am

## Bethlehem - Judah Christian Fellowship COGIC

83 Galloping Hill Road Elizabeth, New Jersey 07208 Supt. Anthony W. Gilyard, Pastor

# The Life and the Legacy

For we know that if our God earthly house of this Tabernacle dissolved, we have a building of God, and house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

(II Corinthians 5:1)

**Huzell Lawrence, Jr.,** was born on January 31, 1949 in Roanoke, Virginia, the oldest son of eleven children born to Miss Sallie Jackson and the late Huzell Lawrence, Sr. He was raised in a large, respectable Christian-loving family. Huzell attended the Virginia Public School system and graduated from the Roanoke Virginia High School. Upon completion of graduation, he and his family relocated to Newark, New Jersey in 1969. He moved to Linden, New Jersey 15 years ago.

Huzell, was affectionately called "Huzz" by his family and friends, loved to work with his hands. He had various jobs working with the public and interacting with people. He was a Courier at the Washington Florist shop in Newark, New Jersey. After various jobs, he was employed by Solar Chemical Compound in Linden as a Chemical Technician, retiring after 15 years of service. Huzell was a very hard worker and kept a job all of his life.

He was the life of the party. He enjoyed life, pretty women and spending money. Huzell was very close with his mother Sallie Jackson who was the apple of his eye. He enjoyed playing card games and craps.

In 2010, Huzell dedicated his life to Christ and joined Bethlehem – Judah Christian Fellowship COGIC in Elizabeth, New Jersey under the leadership of Supt. Anthony W. Gilyard.

He battled with a terminal illness for the past 3 years. Huzell finally passed from labor to reward at the Father Hudson House in Elizabeth, New Jersey. On October 2, 2014, Huzell Lawrence, Jr. answered the call of the Lord and went peacefully to dwell in his presence.

Huzell was preceded by his siblings: Carolyn Wright, James Lawrence, Willie Ratchford, Eddie Lawrence and Shawn Ratchford; and grandparents: Susie Mae and James Lambert.

Huzell Lawrence, Jr. leaves to cherish and honor his legacy, his mother, Sallie Jackson of Linden, New Jersey; two sisters: Erica Miller (Vincent) of Linden, New Jersey and Aletheia Carter (Robert) of Roselle, New Jersey; three brothers: Marvin Ratchford (Melvina) of Linden, New Jersey, Derrick Ratchford of Linden, New Jersey, and David Ratchford (Carolyn) of Linden, New Jersey; aunt and uncle: Frank and Johnnnie Lambert of Irvington, New Jersey; 55 nieces and nephews, 22 great-nieces and nephews, 17 great-great nieces and nephews; 3 grandchildren; his loving companion, Big Angie; and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

You will forever live on in our hearts

Lovingly submitted, The Family

# Order Of Service

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Processional	Supt. Anthony W. Gilyard & Family
M	Bishop Wayne L. Johnson Bibleway Deliverance Center Roselle, New Jersey
Scripture Readings Old Testament: New Testament:	
Solo	Sister Faith Perkins
Reflections	
Selection	Bethlehem – Judea Christian Fellowship Choir
Resolution & Condolences	
Solo	Sister Faith Perkins
Special Tribute & ObituaryEvangelist Aletheia Carter, sister	
Words of Comfort	
Eulogy	Supt. Anthony W. Gilyard, Pastor
Recessional	
	Interment Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

### **Pallbearers**

Derrick Ratchford Marvin Ratchford Robert Carter Isaiah Carter

#### Services Entrusted To:

#### G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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## "Don't Cry For Me"

Life has rendered me more than I can ever hope for.

"So Please don't cry for Me."

Life was an adventure: full of treasures, dreams, hugs, kisses, laughter, love and found pleasures.

"So Please don't cry for Me."

Everything I hoped for, I have gotten
everything I wanted to see, I have seen
everything I wanted to do I have done.
I pushed until I couldn't anymore
I held on as long as I could;
God granted me his grace and mercy to breathe
and live as many years as long as I did.

"So Please don't cry for Me"

I only done my dearest family that you'll always remember;
I gave you my smile to look at in the "morning."
My laughter in the middle of the "night."
And a lot of fond memories to keep and
Hold you tight for the rest of "your life."
The time we spent together was precious and worthwhile.
Please simply remember my laughter and smile
To comfort and keep you at night when I am no longer in sight.

#### "So Please don't cry for Me"

I am in a better place you see;

Nestled safe in the master's arms; free from pain, suffering and harm.

Although my flesh has went asleep my spirit is at peace,

Resting in the father's hand

My life story was a part of God's master plan I have made my mark on this world;

My spirit will live on in my family, and in my closest friends.

I have lived and done all I could possibly do;

But my time here on earth god said It's done! "Family"

Don't worry I'am alright on that glorious afternoon

a voice whispered and said it time to take your flight.

"So Please don't cry for Me"

I have arrived sound and safe home at last Looking upon my saviors face

Lovingly submitted, Evang, Carter, sister & Isaac "Rat" Carter, nephew

#### Special Thanks

Supt. Anthony W. Gilyard from Bethlehem – Judea Fellowship Bishop Wayne L. Johnson from Bibleway Deliverance Center Deacon Robert Carter and the culinary staff Sister Janice Hall from Glorious Hope Fellowship Giana O'Neal from New Salem Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey

#### Acknowledgements

The family of **Huzell Lawrence**, **Jr.** would like to acknowledge and give their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all the acts of kindness shown during this trying time. May God bless you.

