



Sunrise April 21, 1945 Sunset October 25, 2014

Wednesday, October 29, 2014 - 11:00 A.M.

### **Cotton Funeral Service**

130 Main Street Orange, New Jersey Bishop Hilton Rawls, Officiating

## **Obituary**

On April 21, 1945, **Philip L. Loyal** aka "Red" was born to Willie Emma Griffin and John Henry Loyal in Orange, New Jersey.

Red was raised in Newark, New Jersey on Astor Street, where he attended Morton Street School. He then went on to attend East Orange High School.

Red lived his life to the fullest. He loved and served his country by joining the United States Army. He was enlisted as a National Defense Service Medal Sharp Shooter (Rifle M-14) Expert (Rifle M-16). He was discharged on May 23, 1972 under Honorable Conditions.

Red worked with the City of East Orange for twenty years. He also loved to watch baseball and football in his pastime.

In early 1976, Red met his common-law wife and the love of his life Elva Reese. They lived together in East Orange, until October 25, 2014, when Red was called home.

He leaves behind to cherish his memories his companion and friend for over forty years, Elva Reese; stepchildren, Debra Haskins, James Reese and Felicia Woodward; step grandchildren, Destiny, Alicia, Jamal, Yakimia and Dawud; step great grandchildren, Jahanna, Amora, Amir, Onya, Tarik, Samaya, Kya, Semya, Kourtney and Kason. He is also survived by a host of other relatives and friends.

## Order of Service

Processional

**Opening Prayer** 

Scripture Readings

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Viewing

Committal

Recessional

#### **Interment**

William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery Wrightstown, New Jersey

# God Saw You Were Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to me"
With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away
Although we loved you dearly
We could not make you stay
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

## 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.

#### Professional Services Provided By

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