

In Loving Memory of



Lonnie Harris

Sunrise

December 20, 1919

Sunset

November 1, 2014

Service

Thursday, November 6, 2014 - 10:30 a.m.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH

112-42 Springfield Blvd. • Queens Village, New York 11429

Pastor A'Kim Beecham, Officiating

David Sayles, Organist

Obituary

Lonnie Harris was born in Ellaville, Georgia on December 20, 1919 to Amos and Nancy Harris. In 1943 he entered the U.S. Army to serve his country during World War II. He was deployed to India, there he was a Special Vehicle Operator. For his service, he received several decorations: Good Conduct Medal, American Theater Ribbon, European Africa Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, and World War II Victory Ribbon; Lonnie was honorably discharged in 1946.

Shortly after his military separation, Lonnie relocated to New York City.

Upon doing so, he married his longtime love, Ida Mae Lockhart. Their union created nine children and many years of memories. Lonnie made 120-35 144th Street in South Ozone Park, Queens, home for himself and family. He was committed in his work with High-grade Provisions for over 19 years. He retired as a heavy truck mechanic at the age of 62.

Lonnie enjoyed life's simple pleasures— a cigar, spirits, the lottery, western television. On some early mornings, he'd pack a rod, hook and bait and head to the Rockaways to fish. He had fancy feet and was a known dancer among family and friends. He was a superb cook and year-round host for family barbecues and holidays. His penchant for good times and good drinks never eclipsed his dedication to family. It is clear that his life has defined him as a family man, who was present on every milestone and transition. Through the years, Lonnie's kind spirit warmed many hearts and as many spaces. He was a neighborhood staple and the pillar of four generations, who will miss him dearly.

Lonnie made his transition in the early morning on Saturday, November 1, 2014 at the St. Albans VA Medical Center. He leaves us to join his wife, Ida Mae Harris, sons Lonnie Jr., Lancy and Randy Harris, his daughter Debra, his grandchildren Vanessa and Kelvin, great-granddaughter Ayisha.

He leaves his memory behind to be cherished by his children, Ida (Bernice) Hogan, David Lockhart (Patricia), Hattie Johnson (Willie Sr.), Violet Harris-Green and Virgil Harris, his grandchildren, Ida (Meggie) Leary (Mark), David Jr. (Desi) Lockhart (Syvette), Desiree (Monique) Logan (Tony), Daveena Lockhart, Demetrius Lockhart, David Ramon Lockhart, Daisha Lockhart, Willie Johnson Jr. (Lavelle), Lisa Burrowes (Henderson), Ariel (Amanda) Johnson, Amir Johnson, Celina Johnson, Ida (Traveena) Harris, Louis Garcia, Michael Green, Jamal Harris, Lancea Harris, Ariel Harris, Ashley Harris, Adrienne Harris, Alicia Harris, Ashante Harris, Alexis Harris, great-granddaughter Bernice (Brandy) Lynch (Jason), Jennifer (Kelli) Barnes, Allen Barnes Jr. and a host of great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and extended family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scriptures

Words of Comfort

Pastor Dennis Bloom

Shawnee Tabernacle, Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania

Selection

Acknowledgements

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Eulogy

Pastor Akim Beecham

Viewing

Benediction

Interment

Long Island National Cemetery

Pinelawn, New York

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

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the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to their family during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!*

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