Celebrating The Life Of

John Calvin Gossett, Jr.

April 3, 1932 - December 9, 2014

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 - 10:00 a.m. ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES

725 E. Gun Hill Road • Bronx, New York Pastor Jay Allen Gooding, Officiating Minister Jay Gooding, Jr, Organist

Ob<u>ituary</u>

**John "Calvin" Gossett Jr.** was born on April 3, 1932 to John C. Gossett Sr. and Fannie Suber-Gossett in Newberry, South Carolina. He fell asleep in death on Tuesday, December 9, 2014.

Calvin as he was affectionately called by everyone moved to Harlem, New York with his parents and younger brother at the age of 10; where he spent his formative years.

He met and married Marie Bland and from that union came two children, Evangeline and Calvin. While newly married, Calvin was drafted into the army and served his country from 1952-1954. Upon his return he held several jobs and occupations until he retired. To say Calvin was larger than life is an understatement! He lived his life the way most people envied and without apology! His love and knowledge of Jazz was outstanding. He would regale us with his stories of the times he had with many Jazz icons.

He loved his family and friends dearly. Some friendships he had, had spanned a course of over fifty years. He was a caring and giving man. He felt it was his duty to impart wisdom to the younger generation. One of the things he would tell them was, "a man's word is all that he truly has, so stay true to your word."

He has left a void in the world, but his imprint is everlasting!

Calvin leaves behind his brother and sister-in-law, Willis and Delores Gossett; his children, Calvin Gossett and Evangeline Eaddy; son-in-law, John Eaddy; sister-in-law, Virgina White; grandchildren, Twanda, TJ, Jada, Aisha, Kwasi and Darian; great grand children, Tory, Donte, Amir, Aden, Qaudir, Ariel, Matthew and Shayim; nephews, Michael, David, Warren and John-Paul; stepson, Andre and great nephews and great nieces, Alia, Shayne, Rory, Cameron and Sean-Paul.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

**Opening Prayer** 

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament New Testament

Reading of Obituary

*Tributes* (short comments - 2 min. each)

Hymn

Sermon Pastor Jay Allen Gooding

Prayer of Comfort

Benediction

Final Viewing Eternity Funeral Service Directors

Recessional

Interment Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York



The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name, In life we loved you dearly; in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide, And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same, But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

- anon

Acknowledgement

The family of John Calvin Gossett, Jr. 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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