

Genesis January 26, 1954

Exodus
December 17, 2014

Tuesday, December 23, 2014 11:00 A.M.

Good Neighbor Baptist Church

100 Chancellor Avenue Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. George Blackwell, III
Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Vance Virgil Williams was born on January 26, 1954 to Queen Esther Williams and the late Robert E. Williams, Sr.

Vance (affectionately known as Van) was educated in the Newark Public School System. Van moved to Florida in the late 1970's where he met and married Loraine Outing and to this union one child, Janna Jaquay, was born.

While residing in Florida Van was employed as an auto salesman for Lincoln Mercury. It was also during this time when he joined the Greater St. Thomas Church in Tampa, Florida. Van also furthered his education by attending Hillsborough Community College. Upon moving back to his native Newark, NJ, Van was employed at the Newark Board of Education and at New York Shipping as a longshoreman. Van loved jazz music, sports, his grandchildren, and most of all, he loved the Lord. His favorite scripture was Psalms 70. Van will always be remembered for brightening any room he entered with his smile, crazy humor, and charm.

Van leaves to cherish in his memory his mother, Queen Esther Williams, his daughter, Janna (Leon) Williams, three grandchildren, Jayla, Laci & Elijah, one brother, Robert (Ida) E. Williams, Jr., one sister, Kim (Keith) Campbell, a beloved cousin, Kenneth H.E. Johnson, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

Van was predeceased by his father, Robert E. Williams, Sr. and his sister, Saundra (Sandy) Williams.

Order of Service

Processional

Prayer of Comfort
Old Testament Reading (Psalms 70)Jayla Nii-Moi
New Testament Reading (Matthew 5:1-12Matthew Saffold
Musical SelectionMin. Donnie Harper
Obituary & AcknowledgementsLauren Williams
Reflections
Musical SelectionBetty Davis
Celebration Message Rev. Dr. George Blackwell, III
Recessional

<u>Interment</u>

Graceland Memorial Park Kenilworth, New Jersey

Following the interment, family and friends are invited to return to the church for the repast.

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 I found that peace at close of day. If my parting has left a void Then fill it up with remembered joys 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 God wanted me now, He set me free!

Acknowledgement

The family of Vance V. Williams would like to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation for the many prayers and acts of kindness shown to them during this time of bereavement. May God abundantly bless each of you!

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