

*In Loving
Memory
of*

Sunrise

December 10, 1933



Sunset

January 17, 2015

Ruby Dell Griffin
“Popeye”

Service

Thursday, January 22, 2015 - 8:00 p.m.

THE MADONNA MULTINATIONAL HOME FOR FUNERALS

109 Howe Avenue • Passaic, New Jersey 07055

Rev. McDaniels, Officiating

Gary Smith, Organist



Obituary

Mr. Ruby Dell Griffin, 81, of Passaic was one of four children born to the late Bertha Lankford and Robert Griffin in South Hampton County, Virginia on December 10, 1933.

He departed this life on January 17, 2015 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Paterson, NJ. He is predeceased by his wife, Amanda Griffin, Brenda Hines, brothers, Wallace Griffin and Arthur Lankford, daughters, Jacqueline Lawrence and Ruby Hines, son-in-law, Charles Dye, Jr., brother-in-law, William Johnson and grandson, Wallace Griffin.

Mr. Griffin grew up in Norfolk, VA and went to Norfolk Public Schools before moving to Passaic, NJ in the early 60's. Mr. Griffin was a hard working man that provided for his family. He worked at Globe Products in Clifton, NJ and Drico in Wallington, NJ for many years before retiring. He loved spending time with his family, taking road trips to VA, Englishtown to visit the race tracks, Garrett Mountain, Drive in movies, bowling, pool, horse shoes, fishing and chewing his tobacco... you name it, "Popeye" did it with his children as well as the neighborhood kids. He was like a father to many! His favorite quotes and sayings were "Lil One", "You see this here bone", "Whatever Fella" and many more we can not say.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory: his daughters, Bertha Dye of Cliffside Park, NJ, Gwendolyn Griffin, Crashell Jackson of Passaic, NJ, Lorraine Johansky of Garfield, NJ and Jennifer Johansky of Paterson, NJ; sons, Deacon Robert Griffin, Sr., Wallace Griffin, Antonio Hines, Jason Hines, all of Passaic, NJ, Michael Hines of Lodi, NJ, Shawn Hines of Paterson, NJ and Eric Hines of Garfield, NJ; only sister, Inez Skinner of Norfolk, VA; sister-in-law, Dorothy Lankford of Passaic, NJ; son-in-laws, Dwight Jackson of Passaic, NJ and William McNeill of Cliffside Park, NJ; daughters-in-law, Joyce Hines of Lodi, NJ and Tomya Hines; special friend, Debra Johansky of Newark, NJ, 42 grandchildren, 20 great grands, 2 special nieces, Tammy Lankford and Deatrice Ricks; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Order of Service

Music Prelude

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Solo.....Gaylord Williams

Poem.....Robert Griffin, Jr.

Kind Remarks.....Two Minutes Please

Obituary.....Tammy Lankford

Solo.....Cordell Pemberton

Eulogy.....Rev. McDaniels

Committal and Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Local Cemetery
Norfolk, Virginia



"Who was Ruby Dell Griffin"

For one, most of all Mr. Griffin was a great father, not only to his own 14 kids, but he took the time to give fatherly advice to many young people that knew him. Mr. Griffin was not only my father, but he was my best friend as well. What I will miss most is how he would take the time to do things with us, like play basketball, baseball and horse shoes. When I got older he use to take us to the pool room and show us how to play pool. Playing pool was one of my father's favorite games. One day after we came from playing pool, or should I say after the beating he gave me on the pool table that day. I said to him, "Let's go bowling," because I was no match for him on the pool table. He was that good! Once I got my father into bowling, it was a joy for me, my sisters, brothers, and even my friends. Mr. Griffin grew to love bowling. He enjoyed it so much that he went out and got his own personal bowling gear...the ball, the shoes. That was just how he did things. That's when he said Robert if you going to do something, do it right. I can go on and on about this great man. I just wanted you all to know a little about Mr. Ruy Dell Griffin "Popeye".

*Missing you Daddy
Robert Griffin, Sr.*

Dear father to us all. Attended father as well, delightful father to us too, youthful man that we knew as Dad.

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Acknowledgements

The Family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them in their time of sorrow.

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*This Final And Most Sacred Arrangements Were Made Especially
For The Griffin Family And Professionally Directed by:*

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