In Loving Memory of



Sunrise February 27, 1938 Sunset January 22, 2015

Service Wednesday, January 28, 2015 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC. 2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Obitnary

Randolph Valentino Alston, son of late Mavis Alston was born on February 27, 1938 in Suffolk County, VA. Randolph entered into eternal peace on Thursday, January 22, 2015 peacefully at home under the care of his long time companion, Barbara "Ann" Lawrence and Michael Lawrence.

Pluck, as he was affectionately known grew up in Rocky Mount, NC. After graduating from high school, he entered into the Air Force at the age of 19. After being honorably discharged from the Air Force, he spent the rest of his adult life in New York City. He worked for many years and later retired from Carlson Travel Network.

Pluck was full of life. He enjoyed music, loved to dance, and most of all he loved his family. Pluck loved to dress to the best. He was known for his sense of humor and wittiness. Despite the ailments that plagued him, he still brought laughter and happiness to the people around him.

Randolph was preceded in death by his mother, Mavis Alston, brother, Joseph Alston, wife, Jean Alston and daughter, Renee Alston. He leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Tonia Alston; son, Anthony Alston; daughter, Nichele Wise; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; long time companion, Barbara "Ann" Lawrence; nieces, nephews and goddaughter, Mary Ann Eley.

Order of Service

Processional *Family*

Selection Robert Harrison

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Remarks Family and Friends

> **Reading** Nichele Wise

Selection Alethea Edwards

Obituary *Bud Lawrence*

Eulogy Bishop William Wilkins, Jr.

Final Viewing

Benediction

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

1'm Free

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 his call, I <u>turned</u> my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, to <u>play</u>. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the <u>close</u> of the day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of <u>tomorrow</u>. My Life's been full, I savoured 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 acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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