Celebration for the Life of Willie G. "Beanie" *Pickett*

Sunrise June 30, 1934

Sunset January 25, 2015



Monday, February 2, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

MT. PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

163 Autumn Street Passaic, New Jersey **Rev. W.L. McDowell, Officiating**

Reflections of Life

Willie G. Pickett, a.k.a. "Beanie" departed this life on Sunday, January 25, 2015 at the Oak Ridge Nursing Home in Wayne, NJ where he had been a resident for the past two and a half years due to failing health.

Born on June 30, 1934 in Pulaski County, GA to the late Willie and Lillie Lee Pickett, Beanie spent the better part of childhood in Hawkinsville, GA. He would later migrate to New Jersey in the 1950's.

He was employed as a truck driver for R.S. Knapp in Lyndhurst, NJ before retiring.

Uncle Beanie as he was affectionately known by his nieces and nephews had a personality that was unlike any other. If it was on his mind, it was coming out of his mouth. He was not hypocritical; he said what he meant and he meant what he said. People learned soon that if you couldn't handle his honesty and frankness, then never ask him for his thoughts or opinion.

He was affiliated with the group known as The In Crowd and you could always find him at the Veterans poolroom with his favorite cigar.

In addition to his parents, Beanie was predeceased by seven siblings; Eddie Mack, Arthur Lee, Bertha Lee Dennis, Bernice Stroud, James "Pickett", Jerry and Mattie Lou Jenkins.

Beanie leaves to cherish wonderful memories: his wife Virginia Lamar Pickett, sons; Willie Kellam (Gwendolyn) of Maplewood and Reginald "Reggie" Pickett of Passaic, brother; Willie B. Pickett, sister; Mary Helen Wright both of Hawkinsville, GA, grandchildren; Shajuanna Pickett of Passaic, NJ, Alicia C. Kellam of Maplewood, NJ and Chaz Wilder of Washington, DC, godson; Andre Alston of Rutherford, NJ, sister in-law Carrie L. Glover of Paterson, NJ and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Opening Hymn "Hold To God's Unchanging Hands" Page No. 248

Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 23 New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Words of Comfort

Selection

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Eulogy......Rev. W. Louis McDowell, Pastor Mt. Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church, Passaic, NJ

Recessional The Family

Interment

East Ridgelawn Cemetery Clifton, New Jersey



The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Willie G. "Beanie" Pickett** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation 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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