

In Loving Memory of
Gilbert Branch



Sunrise
June 9, 1952

Sunset
January 30, 2015

Saturday, February 7, 2015 - 12:00 Noon

Cotton Funeral Home

130 Main Street

Orange, New Jersey

Louis Wright; Officiating

Emory Lee, Organist

Obituary

Gilbert Branch son of the late Gilbert and Gladys Branch was born on June 9, 1952 in Newark, New Jersey and called home to God on January 30, 2015.

Gilbert graduated from Central High School in Newark, NJ and in 1972 met his wife Priscilla. They shared 42 wonderful years together. From that union came two daughters; Coral J. Branch and Brittany A. Branch. He was also a devoted father to Damon Wise.

Gilbert worked most of his life as a tractor trailer driver. He enjoyed being on the road traveling to different places. He was very excited when he made his trip to California and Texas.

Gilbert enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He loved to joke around and make people laugh. He was also known to be outspoken as well.

Gilbert leaves behind his devoted wife, Priscilla Branch; his children, Coral J. Branch, Brittany A. Branch, and Damon Wise; his grandchildren, Marcus H. Branch, Elijah C. Blagrove, and Eric L. Walker; his siblings, Wilbert Branch, Thelma Branch, Frances Branch, Joan Branch, and Frank Branch. He is preceded in death by sisters Barbara A. Branch and Mary E. Branch. He also leaves behind his longtime friend Vernon Battles, a host of relatives and friends.

***God** saw that you were getting tired and a cure was not to be, So he put his arms around you and whispered, "Come to me". With tearful eyes we watched you and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands now at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.*

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

Call to Worship.....Rev. Edward Steed

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Dec. Jeffrey Rodgers

New Testament.....Terry Wright

Prayer

Solo.....Jasmin Wise/Simone Wise

Remarks

Acknowledgements/Obituary....Emma Branch/Coral Branch

Solo.....Jasmin Wise/Simone Wise

Eulogy.....Rev. Louis E. Wright Sr.

Recessional

INTERMENT

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

Repast

6 New Main Street
East Orange, New Jersey

Pall Bearers

Vernon Battles	Donnell Branch
William Branch	Christopher Blagrove
Richard Smith	Wilbert Branch

We Only Wanted You

They say memories are golden
well maybe that is true.
We never wanted memories,
We only wanted you.
A million times we needed you,
a million times we've cried.
If love alone could have saved you
you never would have died.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place
no one can ever fill.
If tears could build a stairway
and heartache make a lane,
We'd walk the path to heaven
to bring you back again.
Our family chain is broken,
and nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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