

**Homegoing Celebration  
Honoring The Life  
of**



*Samuel James Hines*

*Sunrise*

**February 26, 1939**

*Sunset*

**March 16, 2015**

**Service**

Saturday, March 21, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

**Reverend Lee A. Thomas, Jr., Officiating**

*St. Paul's A.M.E. Church, Brooklyn, NY*

## Obituary

**Samuel James Hines** was called home to be with the Lord on the afternoon of March 16, 2015 at the age of 76. Mr. Hines drifted into a peaceful sleep while at the Northern Manhattan Nursing Home, where he was a resident for the past 15 years. Many family and friends also referred to Samuel as “Sammy” or “Duke”. Sammy was born on February 26, 1939 at Harlem Hospital to the late Elizabeth King Hines of North Carolina and Alfred Hines of the British West Indies. His parents had three sons together, Daniel, Alfred and the youngest Sammy.

Samuel was educated in the NYC public school system and upon completion, enlisted in the United States Armed Forces as a Marine. He served his country for approximately five years before being discharged. In 1960, Duke met his soon-to-be wife of 53 years, Edith Mae Coleman who migrated up North from Halifax County, Virginia. Many often wondered how this “City Gent” won the heart of this “Country Maiden”. Of this union, they had three daughters, Bonita, Michele and Andrea.

Samuel worked various Industrial jobs in textiles and furnishing. He also had a knack for seizing a good business opportunity when he saw one. Sammy had a passion for music—he played the piano, loved to dance and enjoyed being on the guest list to many artists who performed at the world renowned Apollo Theatre.

Preceding him in death was parents, Elizabeth and Alfred Hines of Ellenville, New York; sister, Maxine Washington of Washington, D.C.; brother, John King of North Carolina; brother, Daniel “Tiny” and sister-in-law, Marion of New York; and brother, Alfred and sister-in-law, Mal of Poughkeepsie, New York.

Cherishing his memories are: wife, Edith of the Bronx, New York; daughter, Bonita of the Bronx; daughter, Michele of Brooklyn, New York; daughter, Andrea and son-in-law, Melvin of the Bronx, New York; son, Tyrone of New York; grandsons, Marquise and Demetrius of the Bronx, New York; great grandsons, Malachi and Z’yachi of the Bronx, New York; and a host of nieces, nephews, loved ones, friends and caretakers.

**“This is the day that the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.”**

*Psalms 118:24*

## *Order of Service*

**ORGAN PRELUDE** .....Prophet Robert Wiggins

### **PROCESSIONAL AND VIEWING**

**OPENING PRAYER** .....Reverend Lee A. Thomas, Jr.

**WORDS OF COMFORT** .....Sis. Sabrina Hines

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Old Testament - Ecclesiastics 3:1-8 .....Reverend Cheryl Glover  
Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Bronx, NY

New Testament - John 14:1-6.....Bro. Melvin Moore

### **SOLO/MUSICAL SELECTION**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & OBITUARY** .....Ms. Theresa Evans

**REFLECTIONS** .....Family and Friends

### **SOLO/MUSICAL SELECTION**

**EULOGY** ..... Minister Kim Osorio  
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Bronx, NY

### **SOLO/MUSICAL SELECTION**

**CLOSING PRAYER**..... Reverend Cheryl Glover

### **BENEDICTION**

### **RECESSIONAL**

*The interment will take place immediately following funeral service at*

<p><u><i>Interment</i></u> Ferncliff Cemetery Hartsdale, New York</p>
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### **REPAST**

*The family would like for you to join us at 1:00 p.m. at the Family home for repast at:*

*1836 Waterloo Place  
Bronx, New York 10460*

*at corner of E. 176<sup>th</sup> Street & off of Southern Blvd  
(718) 589-9030  
(646) 244-5435*

# Psalm 23

*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.*

## **SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

*The Hines Family would like to thank you all (both near and far) for your acts of kindness, words of encouragement, generosity and unconditional love. Your prayers has given us strength to get through this trying time, and your continued prayers will help to sustain us. We would like to thank the health care professionals at the Northern Manhattan Nursing Home for providing our Dad with courtesy, compassion and superior care. The 9th Floor Nursing Station ROCKS!! You all have truly worked diligently to make NMNH a comfortable, family-centered place to call home for our Dad and countless other residents. Words cannot express our gratitude. To the team of professionals at the VNSNY, we are truly indebted. Your hospice care over the past months has been stellar. You have not only comforted our Dad, but offered comfort and invaluable support to the family as well. And lastly but certainly not least, thank you to the Unity Funeral Chapel in Harlem for their professionalism and courtesy extended to the family during our time of need.*

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