

A Celebration of Life
William Morris Gurley, Jr.

October 3, 1948 - March 17, 2015



Saturday, March 21, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Barry Graham, Officiating

Johnetta Bush, Organist

Reflections of Life

William Morris Gurley, Jr. was born October 3, 1948 in Marion, South Carolina to the late William Morris and Gladys Mae (Spivey) Gurley.

William attended Marion County Public Schools and is a Veteran of the United States of America Department of the Navy where he served in the Vietnam War era. While serving in the U.S. Navy, William was stationed & traveled to various countries such as Spain, Rome, Italy & Hawaii. William retired from the U.S. Navy in 1991. He spent the rest of his life in Paterson, New Jersey.

He was a loving husband, stepfather, son, brother, uncle, cousin and friend. He was very outgoing and loved to have a good time with family and friends.

William was preceded in death by his loving wife, Patricia (Morgan) Gurley, parents William Morris Gurley, Sr. and Gladys Mae Gurley, one sister Doris Ann (Gurley) Hughes, two brothers James Gurley and Willie Nathan Gurley, Sr., and two brother-in-laws Christopher Hughes and John W. Bethea, Sr.

William will truly be missed by all. He leaves to cherish his memories: three siblings, Doretha (Lenuare) Foxworth, Christine Bethea, and Robert D. (Kathy) Gurley; three stepchildren, Latasha (Anthony) Morgan, Sophia Morgan, and Dyron Morgan; five grandchildren; one sister-in-law Nadine Gurley, one aunt IsaDora Sams, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and relatives.

Order of Service

Prelude
Johnetta Bush

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Selection

Reflections of Life

Words of Comfort
Rev. Barry Graham
Canaan Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Recessional

Interment

Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery
Wrightstown, New Jersey



The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **William Morris Gurley, Jr.** 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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