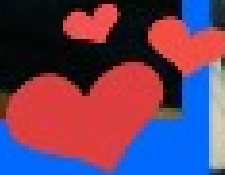


Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life of
Roderick Paul Gilbert



Sunrise

September 11, 1936

Sunset

April 10, 2015

Thursday, April 23, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

Glorious Hope Missionary Baptist Church

88-90 1st Street • Elizabeth, New Jersey

Rev. Vanessa A. Nero, Pastor

Life Reflections

Roderick Paul Gilbert was born on September 11, 1936 in Elizabeth, New Jersey, son of Esther Lena Willis Gilbert and John Paul Gilbert. Educated in the Elizabeth Public School System, he graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School.

Roderick was employed as a Mechanic at Phelps Dodge in Elizabeth and retired after fifty years of dedicated service. He then worked as a driver for On Time Transportation in Roselle, New Jersey where he transported people to their medical appointments. He also made deliveries for a local florist.

He was preciously married to Jeanette Gilbert. From this union came three children.

Roderick loved to sing, especially Marvin Gaye's song, "What's Going On." He was known for stylish clothing. He could dress up. He would tell jokes and always wanted to make someone happy. He had the gift of gab, he loved to talk. Roderick was also a sports man who played football, basketball and ran track.

His sister remembers him as a man of different gifts. She says when in pain, he kept it to himself. He did not complain. He would give his love to all that crossed his path. She recalls that her brother loved to dance and compete in artwork. She states that their dad was the best artist although Roderick believed he was. He was known as her knight in shining armor and he made her a star in his eyes.

Roderick Gilbert looked forward to the promises made in Revelation 21:4 "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."

Roderick Paul Gilbert departed this life on Friday, April 10, 2015 at Plaza Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Elizabeth at the age of seventy-eight. He was predeceased by a daughter, Pamulla Gilbert and his parents, Esther Lena and John Paul Gilbert.

He leaves to cherish fond memories, three daughters, Brigitte Gilbert of Elizabeth, NJ, Vendetta Gilbert of Paterson, NJ and Saundra Ameerah McCrimmon-Gilbert of Rahway, NJ; his sons, Troy McCrimmon-Gilbert and his wife, Lisa of Atlanta, GA, Darren Williamson of Roselle, NJ and Wendell Gilbert of Elizabeth, NJ; eighteen grandchildren; thirty-five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Joyce Ligon and Alicia Pendleton both of Corona, CA and a host of other relatives and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,
The Family

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude.....Minister of Music, Michael Reeves

Processional.....Clergy

A Parting View

Hymn

Scriptures

Old Testament.....Psalm 23
Evang. Theresa Spann

New Testament.....John 14: 1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Solo.....Sis. Evelyn Reeves

Words of Comfort Family and Friends

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Solo Sis Evelyn Reeves

Eulogy.....Rev. Vanessa A. Nero

Recessional

Interment
Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the interment, family and friends are invited to return to Glorious Hope Missionary Baptist Church where a repast will be served.

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

206 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, NJ 07203

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“Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through Sincere Service”

Pall Bearers
Family and Friends of **Roderick Gilbert**



Acknowledgement

The family of **Roderick Gilbert** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.

