



Edward M. Stone

February 28, 1942 - May 5, 2015

Services

Saturday May 9, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

89 Spring Street
Morristown, New Jersey
Reverend W. Douglas Banks, Officiating

Obituary

Edward M. Stone was born on February 28, 1942 in Java, Virginia to the late Riley and Mattie Davis Stone. It has pleased the Lord to call him from labor to reward on May 5, 2015 at the age of 73. He transitioned at Morristown Medical Center with his wife by his side.

He attended Pittsylvania County Public Schools. He later moved to the Morristown area in the early 60's where he met and married his wife of fifty-one years, Bobby Jean Coleman.

Edward was employed at Greystone Park for fifteen years serving as a cook and butcher. He worked at numerous supermarkets and meat packing companies as lead butcher. He was also a licensed barber.

Mr. Stone joined Union Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Dr. Charles Marks and was a faithful member until his health declined.

Papa, Buddy, Pap, and Stone as he was affectionately known, was loved by all. He was kind hearted with a sense of humor that kept family and friends laughing. He loved helping people and was kind and generous to everyone he knew.

Stone's favorite pastimes were cooking and cutting hair. He was an exceptional cook. He cut hair for the young and old. He often would go to people to cut their hair when they were unable to come to him. He enjoyed the barbershop talk and encouraged and helped many of his customers.

He was one of 13 children, and was predeceased by his older brothers, Odell and Riley (John) Stone.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his loving and devoted wife, Bobby Jean; two daughters, Wanda King (Jerry), Poplar Bluff, MO and Treniese Brown, Woodbridge, VA; two brothers, Willard Stone, Brandywine, MD and Julian Stone, Waldorf, MD; five sisters, Ruby Stone, Paterson, NJ; Hazel Stone, Waldorf, MD; Almira Lee (David), Perry, FL; Regina Wood (Bran), Accokeek, MD; and Marie Ford, Hampton, VA; three grandchildren, Amanda King, Jackson, MS; Derrick King (Nicole), Branson, MO; Jordan Brown, Woodbridge, VA; two great-grandchildren, Gregory Lee Neal and Joseph Paul King and a host of loving and supportive relatives and friends. Mr. Stone will forever remain in the hearts of those who were fortunate and blessed to be touched by his life.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Minister of Music
Procession	
Opening Hymn	""I'll Fly Away"
Scripture- Old Testament. Scripture-New Testament.	Psalm 12 Timothy 4:7-8 NIV
Prayer of Consolation	Deacon Charles Johnson
Selection	"Every Praise"
Acknowledgements and Resolutions	Church Clerk
Reading of the Obituary	Read Silently
Tributes and Expressions	Willard Stone
Solo	"Take Me To The King" Lashon Whitfield
Eulogy	Rev. W. Douglas Banks
Hymn of Celebration	"Soon And Very Soon"
Recessional	

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

Pallbearer

Jerry King Derrick King
Gerald Vance David Lee
Pedro Martinez Sean Lewis

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

We the family of **Edward M. Stone**, wish to acknowledge the many expressions of kindness that you have shown at this time of bereavement. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and will never be forgotten. May God bless each and every one of you.

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