



A Celebration of Life for

Jonah Louis Valentine

Sunrise: March 1, 1942

Sunset: May 13, 2015

Service: Thursday, May 21, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

WALLER TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

694 Macon St. • Brooklyn, NY 11221

Pastor Jerry Greene, Officiating

Service: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 - 12:00 p.m.

HUNTER FUNERAL HOME

123 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. North • Ahoskie, NC 27910

Minister Ernestine Taylor, Officiating

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 know He would called
when felt my work was done.
I know hearts heavy
Because I have gone away
But when the Master called me
I know that I could not stay
Yes, I'm sorry I to leave you
My love one's, 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 say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll again someday



Obituary

JONAH LOUIS VALENTINE, (lovingly known by the nick-names Val, Boot Boy and Sam), the son of the late Sidney and Hazel Valentine was born on March 1, 1942 in Bertie County, North Carolina. He departed this life on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at Boro Park Center for Rehabilitation & Healthcare in Brooklyn, New York.

He attended school in Colerain, North Carolina. He left North Carolina at the age of eighteen and migrated to New York. He was united in holy matrimony to Maggie Waters and six children were born - two sons, and four daughters. One son, Melvin, preceded him in death.

As a young man in North Carolina his occupation was farming, and later when he moved to New York, he worked at the Brooklyn Navy yard and J&R Water Maintenance Company for as long as his health permitted.

Jonah loved life and was a joy to be around. He loved cooking and entertaining. People always gravitated toward him. He loved wearing hats, and it was his joy to create and tend to a garden in the backyard. He taught some of the young people in his life to cook, and was a friend to those who were down and out in the community where he lived. His favorite toy for many, many years was an old, gold colored Cadillac which he constantly worked on to keep it running.

Jonah was also an “investor.” As with any investment, he did very well or very poorly; unfortunately, his investments were not the Wall Street type, but more the ‘street corner’ type. His chief financier was (his mother-in-law) Ms. Bennie Lee Walker “Aime” his personal banker. When he saw you, he would say **“give me twenty”** you knew exactly what he was going to do. When Jonah’s ‘investments’ went well, he blessed the entire family. He had a heart of gold. His favorite game was playing cards.

He will be truly missed by all that knew and loved him.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories: four daughters: Christine Valentine, Sandra Valentine, Ebony Valentine of New York, and Dorothy (Ivory) Bailey of Maryland; one son, Darrin Valentine of New York; nine grandchildren, Victorian, Edward, Lawrence, Monique, Amanda, Hakima, Darrin, Nakiya, and Ivory; one great-grandson, Jaylin; his former wife, Maggie Valentine; former mother-in-law, Bennie Lee Walker and his sister, Shirley (Dennis) Sessoms, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives, his ‘adopted’ granddaughter, Destiny Hall, and many, many friends and acquaintances.

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Order of Service

Prelude Organist

Processional.....Minister and Family

Scriptures

Old Testament Psalm 23:1-6

Minister Josephine Dzodzegbe

New Testament John 14:1-6

Minister Christine Valentine

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Eric Asiamah

Solo.....Sis. Carolyn Fields

Remarks.....Family & friends
(2 minutes)

The Obituary.....Rev. Mary Johnson

Acknowledgments Rev. Pamela Stanley

Solo.....Minister Josephine Dzodzegbe

The Eulogy Pastor Orlando Ennis

Benediction.....Pastor Orlando Ennis

Viewing

Recessional

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Solo.....	Brother William Askew
Selection	The Sessoms & Manly Family
Remarks.....	Family & Friends (2 min.)
The Obituary.....	Sister Aneshia Johnson
Acknowledgments.....	Sister Jacqueline Ward
Solo.....	Sister Peggy Watford
The Eulogy	Minister Ernestine Taylor
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Interment

Valentine Family Cemetery
Colerain, North Carolina

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!*

Pallbearers & Floral Bearers

Family & Friends

Acknowledgements

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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