

In Loving Memory of
Melvin McBride



Sunrise
March 21, 1943



Sunset
June 14, 2015

Monday, June 22, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street
Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Vivian Cook, Officiating
Timothy Rawls, Organist

Obituary

God, Allah in his infinite wisdom called home **Melvin McBride** on Sunday, June 14, 2015.

Born March 21, 1943 in Newark, New Jersey, Melvin was the youngest son of seven children born to the late Hosea and Margie McBride.

He attended Charlton Street elementary school, and graduated from South Side High in Newark, New Jersey where he also ran track. He then continued his studies at Allen University in Columbia, South Carolina where he majored in business.

Melvin studied under the leadership of The Honorable Elijah Muhammad. It was through his studies with the Nation where he received his 3 X.

As a young man, Melvin was employed with Conmar Zipper Company and Western Electric for a number of years.

On September 9, 1973, Melvin married "Sandra" the Queen of his life, and from this union was born, Rahiem and Kareem McBride.

Melvin, who was also affectionately referred to as the "Ceelo King" completely embodied the true meaning of a hustler! He had several hobbies, but his favorite pastimes were spending quality time with family and friends and playing cards. Melvin loved the casino and even as his health began to decline, still somehow managed to find the strength to make his way there!

Melvin was preceded in death by his parents, (2) brothers Kenneth and Leonard McBride and (1) sister Dorothy Kimberly. He leaves to cherish his memory and to carry on his legacy his loving and devoted wife Sandra McBride; (4) sons Khalid, Altariq, Rahiem and Kareem; (2) daughters Inger and Renee; (2) daughter in laws Kanika and Clarise; (3) sisters, Ruth, Geraldine and Delores; (2) sister in laws Maxine and Carol; brother in law Jimmie "Poppa"; (14) grandchildren, (2) great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends amongst them namely devoted nephew Tieron Wilson, bonus son Karl Athias and 3 loyal friends Melvin Johnson "Malik ", Richard Koontz "Dickee" and Pierce Miller.

Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection

Reading from the Quran

Prayer of Comfort
Anwaar Bilal

Musical Selection

Acknowledgements
Debra Wilson-Saunders

Obituary
Ameerah Shabazz-Bilal

Reflections

"A Letter To Grandpa"
Paris McBride

Musical Selection

Eulogy
Rev. Vivian Cook
Franklin St. John United Methodist Church

Recessional

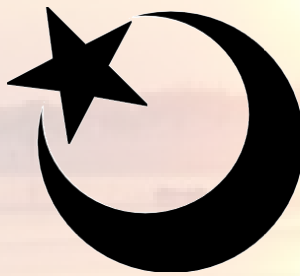
INTERMENT

Rosedale Cemetery
408 Orange Rd, Orange, New Jersey

*Repast immediately after at
Masonic Temple, 188 Irvine Turner Blvd, Newark, NJ.*

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles
When day is done
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the way
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun,
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When day is done
Lovingly submitted,
The McBride family



Acknowledgement

The family would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Pierce Miller for being a dedicated friend to **Melvin**. Your tirelessly, unwavering efforts did not go unnoticed. For every call, visit and kind deed we say "Thank You" from the bottom of our hearts!

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