



*Celebrating
the Life
of*

John Harold Bennett, Sr.

Sunrise: September 22, 1966

Sunset: November 15, 2015



Home Going Service

Saturday, November 21, 2015 - 8:00 a.m.

Bethlehem Baptist Church

587 North 4th Street, Newark, NJ 07107

Reverend Toney E. Jackson, Sr., Officiating



Obituary

John Harold Bennett, Sr. was born on September 22, 1966 to the late Irvin Bennett, Sr. and Jennie Bennett (Patrick) in Orange, NJ. Known to many as “Johnny John” or “JP”, he was the fourth of five children born to from this union.

John was educated in the Orange School System. He attended the Essex County Vocational Technical School and later graduated from Orange High School in 1984. During these years, John discovered his love for cars and determining the intricate workings of variant objects.

John was employed in the transportation or funeral service fields for several decades. Most recently he ventured into the property management field and was employed by Larken Associates for the last several years. However, in his spare time, he continued to follow his passion through employment at Select Towing Concord Courier Service, Twin Towing, D.E.L.S. Limousine Service, and Eternity Funeral Services in Englewood, NJ, just to name a few.

John enjoyed many hobbies and interests including motorcycles, racecars, watching wrestling, and bowling. His sense of humor, genuine attitude, and jovial personality made it easy for people to immediately like him. He truly enjoyed his life and was often noted as being on the go rather rushing in between jobs or to lend a hand to a fellow man.

On September 15, 2012, John met and instantly fell in love with **Dr. Tamara Johnson**. He often referred to her as “the one”. After a fun and joyous courtship, many friends and family filled the church to witness the exchange of vows and union of John and Tamara in holy matrimony on May 16, 2015. From taking weekend getaways to trying new restaurants, John and Tamara have genuinely enjoyed each other’s company.

John was raised in the Bethlehem Baptist Church and was baptized in 1974, under the leadership of the late Reverend Steve C. Henderson. During his earlier years, he was a member of the Sunshine Band, Junior Ushers, and the Male Chorus. Most recently he could be found on his favorite pew attentively listening to morning service.

At the tender age of 49, **John** transitioned into heaven on the morning of Sunday, November 15, 2015 at 11:30am. He was preceded in death by his father, Irvin Bennett, Sr., his grandmother, Alberta “Ma Bert” Haire, his great-grandmother, Bertha “Nana” Haire, and other loved ones. He leaves to cherish his memory: a loving devoted wife, Tamara; three sons, John Jr., Jarius, and Jayden; as a daughter, Tiffanie; his mother, Jennie Patrick of Orange, NJ; his grandfather, John Haire; six siblings, Stacy Bennett (Shaun) of Belleville, NJ, Irvin Bennett, Jr. (Cynthia) of Aberdeen Township, NJ, Janet Bennett of Orange, NJ, Eric Bennet Esq. (Dawn) of Piscataway, NJ, Terrell Bennett (Carla) of Irvington, NJ, and Dora Bennett of Irvington, NJ; father and mother-in-law, Leroy Johnson, Sr. (Doris); four brothers-in-law, Leroy Johnson, Jr., Anthony Johnson (Denise), D’Carlos Johnson (LeTitia), and Erin Johnson of Arkansas; special friends, Clyde Brooks, Sr. (Tina), Ricardo Reid, Sr. (Stacy), and Zackerus “Sal” Evans; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy and Family

InvocationSis. Joyell Rawles

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-8Minister Thelma Turner-Smith

New Testament - John 14: 1-6.....Deaconess Rochelle Turner

Christian Love Baptist Church
Irvington, NJ

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Shirley Rucker

Musical SelectionAminah McMillian
The Lord's Prayer

Reflections/ Expression of Precious Memories.....(two minutes please)

Acknowledgements & ResolutionsDeaconess Fran Bradman

Obituary(read silently)

Musical Selection.....Reverend Joel Parrish
Shekinah Glory Christian Church
Newark, NJ

The Message of HopePastor Toney E. Jackson

Recessional


Interment

Glendale Cemetery & Mausoleums
28 Hoover Avenue
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Repast

*Bethlehem Baptist Church
587 North 4th Street
Newark, NJ 07107*

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

Honorary Pallbearers

The Sons and Brothers of John H. Bennett, Sr.

Active Pallbearers

John Brooks

Reginald Bryant

Lincoln Carr

Eric Davis

Chet Diehl

Zackerus "Sal" Evans

Anthony Mack

Darren Parker

Sam Spotswood

Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **John H. Bennett, Sr.** would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness, prayers, cards, and other acts of love extended to us during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep each of you. We ask that you continue to remember us in prayer.*

-The Bennett Family

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