

<u>Service</u> Monday, November 7, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

The New Hope Baptist Church

Pastor Joe A. Carter
106 Sussex Avenue • Newark, New Jersey 07103

<u>Obiluary</u>

Thomas J. Ward, son of the late Charles Watson and Louise Ward was born in Abbeville, Alabama on September 25, 1946. Thomas was the first born of seven children.

Thomas attended the Newark Public School system. He graduated from Central High School.

Thomas worked for the City of Newark until he was employed by the Newark Public School (NPS) District within the Division of Security Services in 1969. He attended the first security training session given by the Newark Police Department for security guards.

Thomas worked his way up in the ranks in the Newark Public Schools from Security Guard to Senior Guard and then he eventually became an Investigator. He retired from the District as a Supervisor of School Security Guards. He was employed with the District for thirty-four years. In addition to being dedicated to his job, Thomas enjoyed traveling, fishing and photography.

On August 20, 1994 Thomas was joined in marriage to Dale McElroy. Dale adopted his passion for photography and traveling. They were often seen together holding hands, a portrait of a couple bound by love.

Thomas' love for Christ was displayed through his work in the church. Thomas J. Ward was publicly set apart to the office and work of DEACON on the tenth day of June 1996 by the New Hope Baptist Church in Newark, NJ.

Thomas leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Dale; son, Gregory McElroy; godson, Joshua Perrin; brothers, Johnny, Jerry, Charles Ward of Newark, New Jersey, Curtis (Charlene) of Virginia; sisters, Ellen Watson and Daisy Ward of Newark, New Jersey. A host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, aunts, uncles; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Hymn of Comfort

Scriptures Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
Acknowledgments, Condolences
Resolutions

Obituary (Read Silently)

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

A repast will be held at The New Hope Baptist Church 106 Sussex Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07103

My Prayer of Comfort

The Lord is my Shepherd
My Lord, my God, thank you for another day.
Bless my loving wife and her brothers and sisters.
Bless my brothers and sisters.
Bless my New Hope family.

Lord bless me your servant. Although I can no longer Talk on my own, You know my heart.

Written by Thomas J. Ward

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

With deep appreciation, we the family of **Thomas J. Ward** acknowledge all kind expressions of sympathy, prayers, cards, telephone calls, condolences, visits, food and flowers extended in our time of bereavement.

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