

A Service of Memory Celebrating the Life
of
Carter Elliott Lanier



Sunrise
May 13, 1955



Sunset
December 8, 2016

Thursday, December 15, 2016 - 7:00 pm

Clarence B. Wright Funeral Home

579 Grove Street
Irvington, NJ 07111

Reverend Michael Eubanks, Officiating
Michael Smith, Organist

Obituary

Carter Elliott Lanier was born on May 13, 1955 in Newark, NJ to Agnes and John Lanier. He was raised Catholic until the age of 12 years old. After the death of his father, his mother married Hayward Jones and they became members of Shiloh Baptist Church on Davenport Avenue in Newark, NJ. He was educated in Newark, NJ at St Charles Borromeo, Peshine Avenue, and Irvington Tech. While attending Shiloh, Carter was introduced to computer programming through Manpower via his future mother-in-law (Marjorie Jackson) whom was employed there.

Carter was an avid chess player and paddle ball player in his younger years. One Sunday during morning service, he heard an "angel" singing in the choir. Soon, he married Sharon Jackson on October 31, 1976. On October 19, 1977 they gave birth to Aiysha Demetre!. Although the marriage was short lived, Carter felt that it was one of the happiest times in his life. Carter worked at ADP as a computer programmer for a few years before becoming a Senior Computer Operator at Americom Direct Marketing for over 30 years.

During his retirement from Americom, he furthered his Christian walk at The Life Christian Church, West Orange, NJ. He was so devoted to their ministry he was entrusted with the keys to the facility. Carter was a straightforward kind of guy. He had a sense of humor that made him likeable, and he would always come through for others when it was needed the most.

On December 8, 2016, we said goodbye to Carter E. Lanier. He had many years battling congestive heart failure and shortness of breath. We believe God said he had suffered enough and took him home.

He leaves to mourn his passing...his only daughter (Aiysha D. Lanier-Murphy), two sisters (Susan R. Lanier and Kathy Ann Jones), Five Grandchildren (Ayana Lanier Hunter, Naim Friday, William Murphy, Chanel Erica Murphy, Angel Murphy), niece (Erica Rene Foster), nephew (Brandon Lee Jones), cousins (Constance Meyerhoff and Michael Smith, Stephen Lopez and Leslie Lopez), Zena, James, Kim and Harry and many other Outcalt cousins, Mark Layer and his siblings; Audrey, Jackie, Ellen and Nadja Butler, and a host of other cousins, relatives and friends.

FAVORITE BIBLE SCRIPTURES:

And this is LOVE: that we walk in obedience to HIS commands. As you have heard from the beginning, His command is that you walk in Love. 2 John 6:6 (NIV)

If we are "out of our mind," as some say, it is for GOD; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. 2 Corinthians 5:13 (NIV)

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Michael Eubanks

Recessional



Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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