



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*



# *Marvin Chester Cooper*

*Sunrise: July 1, 1942*

*Sunset: May 17, 2017*

Service

*Friday, May 26, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.*

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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## *Obituary*

**Marvin Chester Cooper** was born on July 1, 1942 in Waynesboro, Georgia to Hattie Ellison Cooper and Willie Cooper. He was the third eldest of six children.

Marvin grew up in Waynesboro, Georgia. He went through elementary, middle and high school in Waynesboro. During his younger years he had a zest for life and enjoyed being with friends and family. He was known among friends and family for his sense of adventure. As a young adult, Marvin moved to New York City in 1970. While working in a neighborhood store, he met Mary Jean Stevens and two years later, they were wed on May 2, 1977 and remained together for forty years.

Marvin enjoyed music, fast cars and good food. One of his favorite tasty treats was ice cream. When Marvin was in better health you always knew his day was winding down when he headed to the fridge for his nightly ice cream. He maintained his enjoyment for playing cards, crossword puzzles and hand held video games. In his later years, he was an avid reader and enjoyed staying abreast of current events.

Marvin was a handy man. For several years he worked as a butcher and later worked for the Department of Highways while settling in Harlem with his family.

After his car accident in 2001, his health slowly started to decline until he took his last breath on the evening of May 17, 2017 with family by his side.

He is survived by: his wife of forty years, who he fondly called Jean; four daughters, Scarlet, Stephanie, Beverly and Marva; two sons, Benjamin and Marvin, Jr.; two daughters-in-law, Hyacinth and Kirsten; five grandchildren, Jordan, Justin, Joshua, Jade and Nathaniel; four sisters, Willie Mae, Naomi Heigler, Janie Wigfall-Burton and Thelma Lee Cooper; two brothers-in-law, Lawrence Heigler and Joseph Wigfall; and a host of nieces, nephews cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

Processional

Selection..... "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"....Margaret Banks

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-7.....Dr. Tiffany Powell

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Addie Banks

Selection..... "Amazing Grace".....Margaret Banks

Obituary.....Rev. Benjamin Stevens

Remarks

Selection.....Margaret Banks

Scripture Reading

New Testament - John 11:25-27.....Rev. Addie Banks

Eulogy.....Bishop Monroe Yoder

Benediction and Closing Prayer.....Bishop Monroe Yoder

## Interment

*Mt. Rest Cemetery  
Butler, New Jersey*

## **Repast**

*The Repast will be held from 1pm - 5pm at:  
The South Community Room  
129-133 W. 147th Street, New York, NY*

## *Psalm 23*

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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