



*A Celebration  
of Life for*

**Sunrise**  
*March 12, 1946*

**Sunset**  
*May 20, 2010*

*Deacon Clifton Earl Battle*

Thursday, May 27, 2010  
11:00 a.m.

*Christian Love Baptist Church*

830 Lyons Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey

*Rev. Ron B. Christian, Officiating*

# Order of Service

Processional ..... Family

Hymn ..... Musical

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 90:1-5

New Testament - John 14: 1-3

Selection ..... Musical

Prayer of Comfort ..... Deacon Elmer McBurrow

Selection ..... Musical

Acknowledgements ..... Deacon Arlene Tyler-Benson  
& Obituary (read silently)

Solo ..... Kevin Johnson

Remarks (limited two minutes) ..... Ministerial Staff  
Deacon Board

Solo ..... Minister Toby Carson

Eulogy ..... Rev. Ron Christian

Recessional



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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Interment</u></b><br/>Fairmount Cemetery<br/>Newark, New Jersey</p> |
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## Acknowledgments

*The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in their time of sorrow. A special thanks extended to the staff of Newark Beth Israel Hospice Care.*

## Obituary

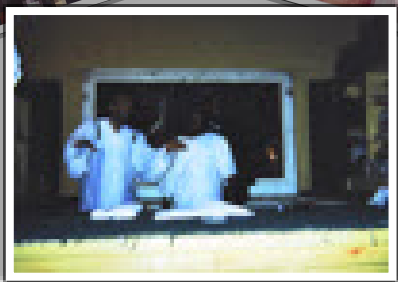
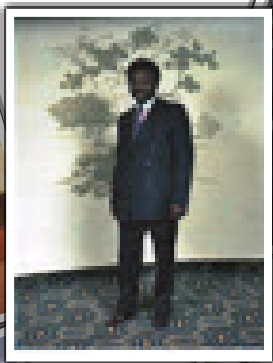
**Deacon Clifton Earl Battle** was born on March 12, 1946 in Greenville, North Carolina. He graduated from Bethel Union High School in 1964 and immediately afterwards, he moved to New Jersey to begin his life as an adult.

Cliff was employed with Crompton Knowles in Nutley, New Jersey for several years. At the time of his death, he was employed at Rosal USA in Whippany, New Jersey. He was a dedicated worker who was known to be at work hours prior to the start of his scheduled time.

Cliff was a caring and loving person who was always willing to lend a hand, even up to the time he became sick. He really loved children and they enjoyed spending time with him, especially listening to old stories of his childhood years growing up in the South. The children often met him at the door during the holidays to hear his stories about eating things such as pig feet and other animals that he could catch.

In January 2003, Cliff joined Christian Love Baptist Church of Irvington, New Jersey. He was later ordained as a Deacon, following in the footsteps of his father, Deacon Willie Battle, and his late father-in-law, Deacon Augustus Banks.

Deacon Clifton Earl Battle leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife of twenty-nine years, Diane Battle; two daughters, Michelle Battle (Al) of Hillside, New Jersey and Beverly Roberson of Tarboro, North Carolina; one son, Rev. David Banks (Leah) of Spring, Texas; parents, Deacon Willie and Alice Battle of Greenville, North Carolina; three sisters, Betty Hodges of Newark, New Jersey, Sheila Battle and Valerie Perkins (Johnny) of Greenville, North Carolina; three brothers, June Battle (Joyce) of Seattle, Washington, Troy Battle (Elaine) and John Battle of Newark, New Jersey; seven Grandchildren, Darren West, Jr., Taylor Battle-Anderson, Antoinette Walker, David Banks, Jr., Kierra-Imani Banks, Ashley Banks and Mikaila Banks; two aunts, Ann Battle of Newark, New Jersey and Lucy Harris (Z.D.) of Durham, North Carolina. He also leaves precious memories to his goddaughters, Dakirra Adams and Tyshell Magan; two special sisters-in-law, Dorothy McBurrow and Jeanne Banks; a special brother-in-law, Deacon Elmer McBurrow; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.





*For The Man That I Love*

*There was Passion in you...  
Longing, Lingering and sweet  
There was Strength in you...  
Gentle, powerful and deep.  
There was love in you...  
Devoted, giving and true.  
And there was God in you  
And there is and always will be  
Joy in me... For the life shared with you  
To my best friend I will always  
Love you*

*~Diane*



**Thank you for loving me, you know I love you too, that's why it's hard to say good-bye and end this life with you. So hold me now, just one more time and let me hear you say, because you care so much for me you'll let me go today.**

**Pallbearers**

**Al Anderson**

**Darren West, Jr.**

**David Banks, Jr.**

**Tori Battle**

**Eric Hodges**

**Deacon Marvin Mison**

**Friends are invited to join the family for the repast at the church immediately following the interment.**

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