

*In Loving Memory  
of*



*Leon Samuel Mulligan*

**Sunrise**  
*June 12, 1939*

**Sunset**  
*August 1, 2010*

Saturday, August 7, 2010 - 10:00 a.m.

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ 07112

*Elder William Cousin, Officiating*

## *Obituary*

**Mr. Leon Samuel Mulligan** was born on June 12, 1939 to the late Reverend Hargie Mulligan and the late Mrs. Omie Mulligan in Detroit, Michigan. He entered into eternal rest on Sunday, August 1, 2010 at Saint Michael's Medical Center in Newark, NJ.

He completed his elementary and high school education in Detroit, Michigan. He moved to Newark, NJ where he retired as a Maintenance Technician from Newark International Airport in 1999.

Leon was known for his special touch. He loved to cook. Family and friends made special requests for his delicious banana pudding. Leon was definitely an outdoors man. He loved to take his walks. Even through his times of sickness he could not be held down. Leon was a very independent, loving and easy-going man, that would do anything to help a friend or family member. Everyone he came in contact with embraced him with love. Leon enjoyed interacting with people and picked up right away if you were "real". You were considered "real" if he met you and stayed around to talk with you.

Leon was predeceased by his parents, Reverend Hargie Mulligan and Mrs. Omie Mulligan, twin brother, Leo Mulligan and sister, Bernice Warren.

Leon is survived by: his loving wife of twenty years, Mrs. Ezelle Mulligan of the home; two sisters, Shirley Reed (Sebren) and Naomi Mitchell (David) both of Detroit, Michigan; brother, William Mulligan of Newark, NJ; step-daughter, Doretta Dixon of Newark, NJ; two granddaughters, Ashley Dixon of Shreveport, LA and Briana Dixon of Newark, NJ; one great-grandson, Jaden Pearson of Shreveport, LA; six sisters-in-law; six brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Solo**

*“Should The Circle Be Unbroken”*

**Scripture Reading - Sis. Frazier**

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

**Prayer of Comfort**

*Elder William Cousin*

**Remarks**

*Family and Friends*

**Obituary**

*(To be read silently)*

**Solo - “Around God’s Throne”**

*Elder L. Wray*

**Eulogy**

*Elder William Cousin*

**Recessional**

**Interment**

*Evergreen Cemetery*

*Hillside, New Jersey*

## *"Beyond The Sunset"*

Should you go first and I remain,  
to walk the road alone,  
I'll live memories garden dear,  
with happy days we've known.  
In spring I'll wait for roses red,  
when faded, the lilacs blue.

In early fall when  
brown leaves fall,  
I'll catch a glimpse of you.

I'll hear your voice,  
I'll see your smile, tho  
blindly I may grope,

The memory of your helping hand

will buoy me on with hope.

Should you go first and I remain,  
one thing I'll have you do:

Walk slowly down that long long path,  
for soon I'll follow you.

I want to know each step you take,  
So I may take the same.

For someday down that lonely road,  
you'll hear me call your name.

### *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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