

*Celebration  
of Life  
for*

*Antonio B. Rainey*

Sunrise  
December 17, 1965

Sunset  
November 16, 2018

## *Reflections of Life*

**Antonio (Tony) Bouvier Rainey** was born in Henderson, NC, on December 17, 1965. He was the son of to the late Charles Mack Steed and Elizabeth Jackson.

In 1967, Tony began living with his aunt, Ruby (Peter) Mills, who raised him until he went to live with his mother and siblings.

Tony was educated in the Paterson Public Schools, attending Grammar School and Eastside High School.

Tony was a hard worker. He was employed at Hudson Tires in Hackensack which was his first job, which he was employed for over ten years. He was later employed by Akron Tires in Fair Lawn, NJ.

Tony loved his family, his children, and his grandchildren. He was a very giving person who loved life. He was always telling one of his stories and making people laugh. He enjoyed playing pool, and was always doing odd jobs. Tony was well known in Paterson. There was no where he would go that someone wasn't calling his name stopping him to talk.

He especially enjoyed working with the late Donald Jacobs, who was like a second father to him. Whenever Donald called him for help with yard work, or to help him on his farm, Tony was there! Prior to Donald's passing, Tony showed his love and appreciation by assisting Donald's wife during his illness.

During the last couple of years of his life, Tony had his trials and tribulations. However, he was always laughing and joking about his situations. Never letting it get the best of him, Antonio Bouvier Rainey will be truly be missed, and his laughter will forever live on.

He was predeceased by his parents; late Charles Mack Steed, Elizabeth Jackson, and his aunt, Ruby (Peter) Mills.

The sun set on Antonio Bouvier Rainey on Friday, November 16, 2018.

Antonio leaves to cherish precious memories, his three children; Tiara Brimley, Antonio Brimley, and Tavon Brimley, all of Paterson, NJ, the mother of his children; Annie Brimley, his loving companion; Venetta Gass, two grandsons; Karon and Tyier Brimley, two brothers; Michael Hale of Georgia, and Melvin Rainey (Betty) of Paterson, NJ, 1 sister; Gwen Jones, of Paterson, NJ, best friend; Denise Young, 5 aunts; Mildred Dunston of Paterson, NJ, Freddius Marrow (Samuel), and Alice May, of Henderson, NC, Dorothy Kearney of Henderson, NC, and Mary Elizabeth of Newark, NJ, and 1 uncle; Bo Diddley of Henderson, NC. He also leaves to remember him a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Saturday, December 1, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

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*Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort

Rev. Gloria Nobles

*Mt. Bethel Baptist Church*

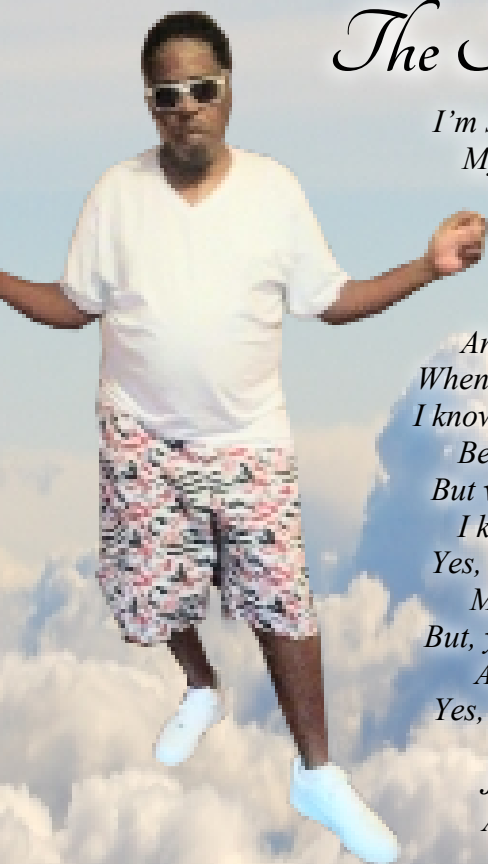
*Ridgewood, New Jersey*

Recessional

**Interment**

St. Peter's Cemetery

Garfield, New Jersey



# *The Master Called*

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But, you see, the Master called me  
And, now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Antonio B. Rainey** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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