

*Celebrating The Life  
Of  
Deacon Eugene Raymond Long, Sr.*

*Sunrise  
October 9, 1937*

*Sunset  
December 7, 2018*



*Saturday, December 15, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.*

**First Baptist Church of South Orange**

103 Valley Street  
South Orange, New Jersey 07079

*Rev. Dr. Terry L. Richardson, Officiating  
Emory Lee, Organist*

# Obituary

**Deacon Eugene Raymond Long, Sr.** was born to Joseph Long and Florrie Price Long on October 9, 1937 in Jersey City, New Jersey. He was the youngest of seven siblings. He was educated in the Jersey City School System and graduated from Ferris High School in 1957. While at Ferris High School, Gene and his brother Joseph Long were champion gymnasts. After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served four and a half years before being honorably discharged in 1961.

In 1964, he married Gwendolyn Dudley and they have one son, Eugene R. Long, Jr. Deacon Long participated in the commissioning of his son as a lieutenant upon his graduation from the Virginia Military Institute in 1994.

Gene studied electronics and graduated from RCA Institute of Technology in 1971. He was employed by NYNEX, which became Verizon, as a communications analyst until he retired in 1999. The family relocated from Jersey City to South Orange in 1976 and joined First Baptist Church in 1984. Gene was ordained as a deacon in 1989 and went on to serve as a Chaplain at University Hospital in Newark.

Gene is survived by his wife, Gwen, son Gene Jr. (wife Carol), grandsons Rory and Evan, sister Dorothy, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. He will be remembered with much love.

# Order of Service

Soft music .....Emory Lee

Procession of Clergy

Invocation/Call to Worship..... Pastor Terry Richardson

Scripture .....Rev. David Clement

Old Testament - Psalms 100

New Testament - Matthew 5:2 - 8

Prayer of Comfort .....Minister Patricia Bridges

Selection..... Emory Lee..... “Amazing Grace”

Reading of Resolutions ..... Deacon Samuel Nails

Deaconess Jerri Drakes

Family Tributes..... Diana Robinson

Eugene R. Long, Jr.

Selection..... Emory Lee..... “Let The Work I've Done Speak For Me”

Church Tributes..... Charles Brown

- Rev. David Clement

- Rev. Dr. Keisha Harris

Reading of the Obituary .....Artrice Richwood

Third Selection .....Emory Lee

Eulogy..... Pastor Terry Richardson

Recessional ..... “I'll Fly Away”

## Interment

*Rosehill Cemetery*

*Linden, New Jersey*

## **Repast**

*Immediately following the Interment family and friends are invited back for a repast in the church fellowship hall.*

# *Psalms 15:1, 2*

*Lord, who shall abide in thy  
tabernacle?*

*Who shall dwell in thy holy hill?  
He that walketh uprightly and  
worketh righteousness and  
speaketh the truth in his heart.*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Deacon Eugene Raymond Long, Sr.** thanks all of you for your many expressions of love, sympathy, and prayers so graciously extended. Thank You and May God continue to wonderfully bless all of you.

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