Celebration of Life



Devon T. Syfield

Sunrise March 7, 1951 Sunset March 14, 2019

Saturday, April 6, 2019 - 9:00 a.m.

## **CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

535 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Paterson, New Jersey Reverend Barry L. Graham, Officiating Brian Crockett, Organist

Reflections of Life

On March 14, 2019 our Heavenly Father called Devon Tyrone Byfield home to be at rest. Devon was born in Kingston, Jamaica on March 7, 1951, and relocated to Paterson, New Jersey in February 1965, where he joined his mother, Enid Hynes and father Charles Hynes. He was raised surrounded by love from his parents, and his two siblings Margaret (Jean) and Mervyn.

Devon graduated from Kennedy High School. He continued to grow and flourish by completing his education at Passaic Community College where he earned a degree in Applied Science.

Devon worked at the Passaic County Board of Social Services (PCBSS) for over 26 years. He started his career as a Case Worker, but later returned to the field of computer science as a Network Administrator. He was responsible for implementing 3 generations of computer firewalls, developing plans to interconnect 450 work stations, and safeguarding personal information of over 150,000 of the organization's clients.

Devon was extremely passionate about his job at PCBSS and often spoke warmly about his colleagues and his "Boss". He took great pride in his work and would invariably seek to improve on everything he accomplished.

Devon also had an enormous amount of respect, and great admiration for the staff at Holy Name Hospital that he had come to know over the years.

Devon remained positive despite his plight with illness. He was a selfless man that was always willing to encourage and lend a helping hand to family, friends and loved ones.

Devon was the quintessential gentleman. From the way he dressed to the manner in which he articulated himself, it was impossible to overlook his presence.

Devon was an admirable man. He had an infectious personality, complimented by his self-confidence and wisdom.

Devon leaves behind his sister Margaret (Jean), his brother Mervyn, and a vast amount of relatives that extended immeasurable love and appreciation for him that goes beyond words. He will truly be missed by all the lives and souls that he has touched. Devon will forever remain in each of our hearts.

"The Battle Has Been Fought The Victory Won Now Cometh Rest We Love You But God Loved You Best"

Humbly submitted in Love By The Family

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional	
Musical Selection	"How Great Thou Art"
Scripture Reading	Carol Silvera (family friend)
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Barry L. Graham
Musical Selection	" Amazing Grace"
Reflection of Life	Elvis Dixon (cousin)
Musical Selection	"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"
Eulogy	Rev. Barry L. Graham
Recessional	"I Did It My Way"

<u>~ Interment ~</u> Saturday, April 6th 2019- 10:45am Fair Lawn Memorial Cemetery Maple Avenue ♦ Fair Lawn ♦ New Jersey

Repast will be held at The Fair Lawn Athletic Club 14-19 Parmelee Ave, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

## The Chain Will Link Again



Little did we know that morning God was going to call your name In life we loved you dearly In death we do the same It broke our hearts to lose you You did not go alone For part of us went with you The day God called you home You left us beautiful memories Your love is still our guide And although we cannot see you You are always by our side Our family chain is broken, and Nothing seems the same But as God call us one by one, The Chain Will Link Again Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Devon Tyrone Byfield** wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to the family, during this hour of bereavement. God Bless You!

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