Celebration

of Life

for



Willie H. Mims, Sr.

Sunrise July 24, 1949

Sunset April 10, 2019

Thursday, April 18, 2019 - 12:00 Noon

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

575 E. 18th Street, Paterson, New Jersey Reverend Dr. Randall Lassiter, Officiating

## Reflections of Life

On Sunday, July 24, 1949, in Paterson, New Jersey in the beauty of a day never before given by God, and now consumed forever in eternity, Jimmie Lee (Jenkins) and Kinch Mims were blessed with the birth of their second baby boy. They named him **Willie Henry Mims.** Willie, Sr. was called from this world of labor to receive his eternal rest on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at home with his family by his side.

During his youth, he played basketball for the Bragg Funeral Home's team. Willie also attended Eastside High School Paterson where he ran track.

Story has it, during their parents' residency at 167 Godwin Ave. Paterson, Willie and Theresa walked to Public School #6 every morning holding hands from Kindergarten through the 1st grade. It was at Eastside High School in 1965 where he was reunited with her Theresa, the little girl with pigtails!

After graduating from high school, Willie, Sr. and Theresa were united in marriage on February 12, 1968. From this union, of 51 years, three sons were born: Willie, Jr., Deaven, and D'Ron.

Willie Sr. was a very quiet and private person. He loved sports, especially football. He also loved music and photography. He was a self-taught tractor-trailer driver. Willie loved driving the big-rigs. He was employed by Metropolitan Trucking Company for 10 years. He was self-employed for two years and owned his own tractor trailer. He retired from JB Hunt in 2016 with a 15-year perfect driving record.

He will be remembered as a good provider, a great husband, father and grandfather; who was affectionately called Pop-Pop. He will forever live in our hearts and will be sadly missed by family members and friends.

Willie, Sr. was predeceased by his parents, his oldest son Willie, Jr.; favorite aunt & uncle Alene (Jenkins) Perry; namesake-uncle Willie James Perry.

He leaves to cherish precious memories, his Wife: Theresa (Hicks) Mims, Sons: Deaven (Maria) and D'Ron Mims; Brother John H. Mims, (Patricia) of Atwater, California; Grandchildren: Shatia Mims, (PA); Dara (Shipman) Mason, (Newark, NJ); Shamell Morrison, (VA); Sharieff Powell, (FL); Daraye, Dekyri, Jazzimere, D'Ron, Jr., Briel Moore, (Paterson, NJ); Ja'Mya Mims, (NV); Adoptive Grandson, Marcus Martin, (TX); 7 great-grandchildren: Davion, Ka'Mya, and Kali, Mims (Paterson); Cory and Anthony Mason, (Newark, NJ); Kim'Mel Morrison, (VA); Ne'Riah Elam, (NV); Aunt: Mary (Jenkins) Scudder (GA); Brothers-in-Law, Ronald and Raymond Hicks, (Paterson, NJ). Nieces: Danielle (Mims) Allison, (Joey), Merced, CA; Connetta (Hicks) Lamont, (Ali), NC; Nephews: Shawn Mims, (Berta); Dwight Hicks, (Paterson). God-Daughters: Trenace Green, (MD); Dawnette Jenkins, (GA) and Adoptive Daughter: Sonia Wiseman.

## Service of Triumph

For I am ready to be offered, and
The time of my departure is at hand;
I have fought a good fight, I have
Finished my course, I have kept the faith
2 Timothy 4:6-7

#### **ORGAN PRELUDE**

| PROCESSIONAL Scriptural Passages                              |
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| INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Dr. Randall M. Lassiter |
| SELECTION "This Too Shall Pass", Yolanda Adams                |
| OLD TESTAMENT   |
| NEW TESTAMENT John 11:17-44 Rev. Connie Coleman               |
| SELECTION "In The Midst Of It All", Yolanda Adams             |
| WORDS OF COMFORT  |
| FAMILY REPRESENTATIVE John Mims, Brother                      |
| SELECTION "Yesterday", Mary Mary                              |
| RESOLUTIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS Marsha Muckle                  |
| REFLECTION OF LIFE  |
| SELECTION "Everything will be Alright", Isaiah Templeton      |
| EULOGY  |
| CLOSING SELECTION" I Stand On Your Word", Jonathan Butler     |
| RECESSIONAL   |
| INTERMENT Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery - Fair Lawn, NJ          |



To My Husband, the Fother of our Children, two hearts once beating together, now one beats above.

Remandering you will be easy, missing you will be the beartache that will never go away.

To Our Father...

Dad, we wish you could come back but we don't want you to suffer again, but we know you will be with us and we will always miss you with all of our hearts. Until we meet again, Resp, Deaven, and DiRon.



# <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during their time of bereavement. A special thanks to my Calvary Family and Hospice of New Jersey.

May God continue to bless you The Mims Family

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