Celebrating the Life of SFC Juan Liselino Mentore Sunrise: November 18, 1958 Sunset: April 16, 2019

Service Thursday, April 25, 2019 - 5:00 p.m. NEW HOPE FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER 817 Livonia Avenue • Brooklyn, NY 11207

<u>Obituary</u>

Juan Liselino Mentore was born on November 18, 1958 to the late Edith and Daniel October-Mentore in Georgetown, Guyana. He attended Dolphin Government School prior to attending Charlestown Secondary High School where he achieved his GCE 'O' Levels.

A very ambitious young man, Juan worked as an Apprentice and later was promoted to 2nd Marine Engineer at the Transport and Harbors Dept., Georgetown, Guyana.

In the spring of 1985, Juan migrated to the USA where he joined the US Army as a Private and soon rose to the rank of Sergeant First Class. Juan dutifully served his country with great pride and honor. During his eight years of active duty, Juan was awarded ARCOM & 20LC; AAM & 30LC medals – for his bravery and unselfish service in the Persian Gulf. After completing eight years of service Juan continued to serve in the US Army Reserve.

Juan was subsequently employed with the US Postal Service as a Mail Carrier. During this period, Juan was focused on furthering his education. He returned to school and soon obtained his BA Degree in Civil Engineering and completed his studies with his Master's Degree. He was later promoted to Building Equipment Mechanic; a position that he held until his passing.

Juan was affectionately called "Juannie" and "Buck" by relatives and close friends. Juannie truly loved his family and was a genuine friend. He loved unconditionally and was never afraid to give his honest opinion in any matter. He was very funny and entertaining. He told jokes and stories that would have everyone laughing. He would often tell us stories of his childhood and could do a great imitation of those who were included in his tales. Juannie really had a knack for storytelling. He would weave the humor into his stories and have everyone rolling with laughter. Juannie would jokingly remind us about the time when he was caught high atop a tree, that he was told not to climb- he had appointed himself "captain"- that tall tree was his massive ship- the trouble he found himself in when Uncle Carl caught him ... as he explained it, was comedy at its best.

In 2003, Juan married the love of his life, Shirley St. Romain and they remained inseparable until the time of his passing. Juan loved his family and was well loved in return.

Juan is survived by: his beloved wife, Shirley; children, Devon, Jermaine and Kelecer, Latoya, Pauline and Joel; grandchildren, Alana, Faith, Marquis, Jaden, Jeremiah, Kaysee, Rashim and Jah Jah; brothers, Leonard (UK), Eustace (US) and Edward (Guyana); sisters, Olive (UK), Charlene and Vana (US); uncle of Kim, Vin, Simone, Rollex, Tiffany, and Tariq (US); a host of great-nieces and great-nephews (Guyana, UK and US); his aunt, Olga Nestor of Canada; his mother-in-law, Matilda Bovell; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-laws; and many dear cousins and friends.

Juan was predeceased by his brothers, Cleveland and Vernley; and by many aunts and uncles.

May God grant him eternal rest.

Order of Service

Officiant: Rev. Dr. Anthony Graham

PreludeOrganist
Opening PrayerDr. Claudette John
Hymn"Blessed Assurance"
Old Testament Reading: Psalm 121Tandica Bovell
Old Testament Reading: Job 14:1-7Rollex Mentore
New Testament Reading: 1 Cor. 15:51-57Vana Mentore
ObituaryVin Ward
Hymn"How Great Thou Art"
SoloMerna Stayman
ReflectionsBernadette Bovell (Charlestown High School) Gilbert Clement
EulogySherwyn Welshman
Open TributesTwo Minutes
MessageRev. Dr. Anthony Graham
Closing PrayersRev. Dr. Anthony Graham
Final Viewing

<u>Interment</u>

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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