Celebrating The Life Of

William Annis Moseley, Sr.

Sunrise December 22, 1924 Sunset June 10, 2019



Monday, June 17, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Vauxhall

5 Hilton Avenue Vauxhall, New Jersey 07088

Rev. Dr. Marion Franklin, Jr., Officiating Bro. Jomear Martin, Organist

<u>Obituary</u>

William Annis Moseley Sr. was born in Buckingham County, Virginia on December 22, 1924 to Carrie and Jonnie Moseley. The youngest male of his six siblings, his mother later moved to Brooklyn, New York with her children. William grew up in Brooklyn, NY, where he attended elementary school in Brooklyn and later attended Food Trades High School where he learned the art of baking.

On April 12, 1943, William enlisted in the Armed Forces, serving in the Army from 1943 until February 15, 1946. He served his country as a Sargent First Class during World War II in France, where he also learned to speak French. Upon his honorable discharge from the Army, William returned to Brooklyn, NY where he met Cassie Mitchell. The two of them were married on April 26, 1947 and had their first child, William Jr, in October of 1947. In June of 1954 Cassie gave birth to their second child, Renee and in February of 1956 the couple welcomed their third child, Lyle into their family.

Bill and/or "Honey" as he is affectionately known, worked as a presser in a clothes cleaners until he went to work for the New York City Transit Authority in 1960. While working for the Transit Authority, Bill rose through the ranks to become one of the first African American Assistant Superintendents for the transit authority. He retired from the Transit Authority where his Colleagues and subordinates alike all new Bill as a gregarious person who loved to tell jokes and had the conviction of being firm but fair.

At an early age Bill was baptized and became a member of Berean Baptist Church in Brooklyn. Later, after moving to New Jersey, he became a member of First Baptist Church of Vauxhall. While at First Baptist of Vauxhall, Bill joined the Male Chorus and subsequently became the President of the Male Chorus.

Anyone who knew Bill would attest to the fact that his favorite pastime was fishing. He spent countless hours deep sea and shore fishing and would often organize fishing trips to spread his love of fishing with those he knew. He also enjoyed bowling and exercising as he led an active lifestyle into his later years.

William was predeceased by his parents, Carey and Jonnie, brothers, Robert Sr., Thomas, and Percy and sisters, Lucille, Virginia and Mary. He was also predeceased by his first-born son, William Jr.

William leaves to cherish his memory: his ex-wife, Cassie; two children, Renee and Lyle; his daughter-in-law, Patricia; grandchildren, Jovani and Nyron; great-grandchildren, Elias and Kamoni; a host of nieces and nephews including Kent, and Lisa, Sheila, a special friend and a bevy of relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude	Bro. Jomear Martin
Processional	Clergy and Family
Hymn	"Oh I Want to See Him"
Old Testament Lesson	Proverbs 3:5-6
New Testament Lesson	John 14:1-6
Prayer of Comfort	Deacon Michael Jones
Family Tribute	Bro. Kent William Moseley
Reflections	Sis. Lisa Jenkins, Niece of William
Solo	Sis. Dawn Beverett
Reading of Obituary	(silently)
Eulogy	Dr. Marion J. Franklin, Jr.
Military Honors	United States Army
Recessional	Clergy and Family

<u>Interment</u> First Liberty Baptist Church Cemetery Dillwyn, Virginia

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

Acknowledgement

The family of **William Annis Moseley, \$r.** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many kind acts and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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