

In Loving Memory of



Clayeon Wilbur Rivers, Sr.

Sunrise: March 13, 1949

Sunset: August 25, 2019

Service

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 - 9:00 a.m.

NEW VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

159 WEST 132ND STREET • NEW YORK, NY 10027

Reverend Craig Majett, Pastor/Officiating

Reverend Armstrong Majett, Emeritus

Obituary

Claydon Wilbur Rivers, Sr. was born on March 13, 1949 and transitioned from life to eternal rest on August 25, 2019. He was the only beloved son of the late James Washington Rivers and Ethel Stewart Rivers of Charleston, South Carolina.

In 1952, his family relocated to Harlem, New York. Claydon attended New York City schools throughout the school years.

In 1968, Claydon married his childhood sweetheart, Mary Elizabeth Lea.

In 1969, he was drafted into the United States Army. He served in Vietnam earning the rank of Sergeant and he received an honorable discharge.

After returning home from Vietnam, Claydon held various jobs. He worked with the United States Postal Service, New York City Housing, and New York Department of Homeless Shelters. He always kept himself gainfully employed until retirement.

Claydon lived a full life. He was known for his love of family, being the only brother of five sisters he always looked after them. He enjoyed his life and the people in it. He also enjoyed traveling.

He was a devoted member of the New View Baptist Church in Harlem under the leadership of Reverend Armstrong Majett and later Reverend Craig Majett. He gave his heart to Jesus years ago and has continued to follow the Lord until he was called home.

Claydon is preceded in death by his loving mother, father, and sisters, Evelina and Virginia (Clay).

He leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted and beloved ex-wife, Mary; his sons, Claydon Jr. (Sherrie) and Taurean (Tiana); grandchildren, DaQuon (Felicia), Jaden, Konala, Nehemiah and Nova; great grands, Sasha, Milan and Teagan; his beloved sisters, Barbara Rivers-Page, Jeanette (Leroy) Wright, Sarahann (Robert) Jackson, Patricia Rivers, Lucretia all of New York City; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Gone but never forgotten, our separation is but for a time. We will see each other in eternity. There we will have a great Family Reunion.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

“Amazing Grace”

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Two Minutes Please

Obituary

Selection

“Going Up Yonder”

Tramaine Hawkins

Eulogy

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

*Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York*

I've Changed My Address



*I've changed my address to Heaven
I've crossed the Great Divide.
I know there's no sorrow or crying,
Because I've reached the other side.
I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place where you'll find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I bid this world goodbye.
I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky.
I have no burdens or heartaches
and from tears I am now free.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place to find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion
and my name is on the door.
You can find us walking together,
for where He is, I'll always be.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place you'll find me.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

*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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