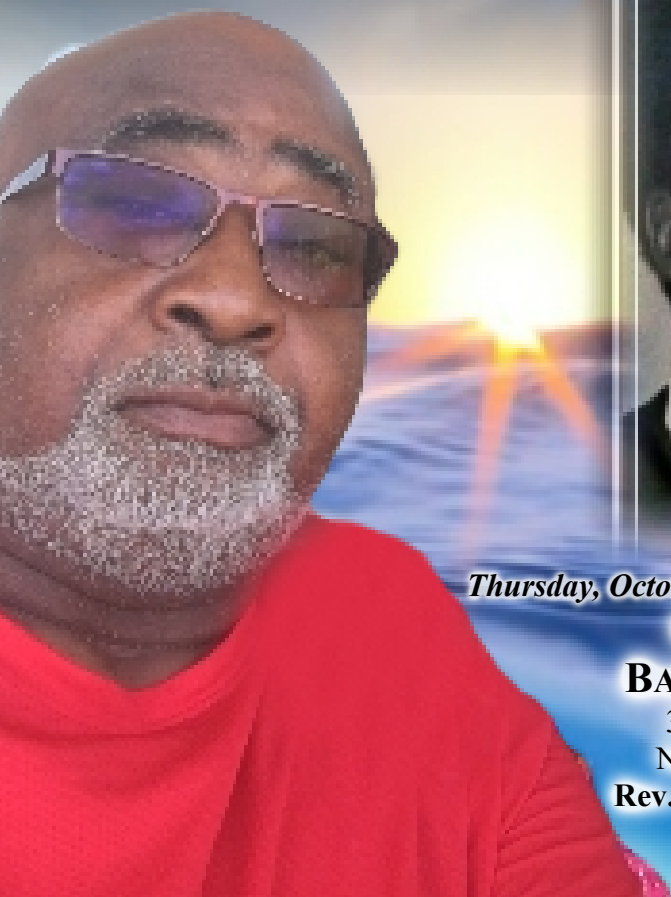


*Celebrating The Life of*  
*Gregory Ricardo Tillman Sr.*  
**"RICK"**

*Sunrise*  
*January 31, 1954*

*Sunset*  
*September 26, 2019*



*Service*

**Thursday, October 3, 2019 - 12:00 Noon**

**CLEARVIEW**

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

314 Hobson Street

Newark, New Jersey

**Rev. Curtis. W. Belle, Jr.**

**Pastor**

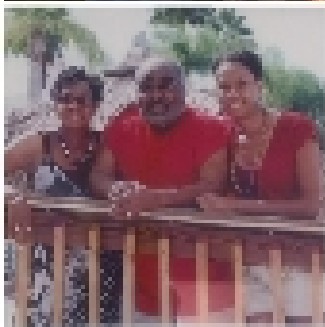
# Obituary



**Gregory Ricardo Tillman Sr.** also known to family and friends as “Rick” was born on January 31, 1954 in Newark, NJ to the late Renabelle Best and the late James Tillman. Greg “Rick” departed this life on September 26, 2019. He was educated in Newark Public Schools. Mr. Tillman was one of the first African American Professors of Music at Essex County College in Newark, NJ. Later, he retired from the Newark Public School System as Supervisor of Facilities Management with over thirty years of service.



Greg was a devoted and caring husband and father. He was known to his village as one who brought people together with love, laughs, and music. He was a social butterfly who genuinely loved to make others laugh and smile. Greg enjoyed bowling, trips to Atlantic City, and frying fish and shrimp for family and friends. Most who knew Greg considered him family. He was loved by so many.



He leaves to mourn his passing, his devoted wife, Marsha “Hester” Tillman, his brother Charles “Butch” Best of Connecticut, his children Maureen Tillman-Moss and son-in-law Sha-kil Moss, Gregory Ricardo Tillman Jr., Valencia “Princess” Brice, the late Charles Hilliard, and Tashia Hilliard; grandchildren Tahjeer, Shaquanah, Juwan, and Bria along with several others; great granddaughter Mila, two nieces, and a host of relatives and friends. He was predeceased by his sister Brenda Best, brothers William Best, Albert “Peanut” Tillman, Robert Tillman, and Edward “Ronie” Tillman.



# Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 41:10 AMP  
*Alice Thomas*

Instrumental Selection  
*McDonald Richardson*

Obituary  
*Tashia Hilliard*

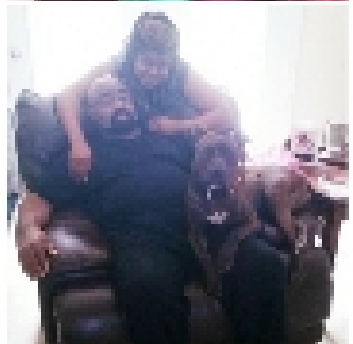
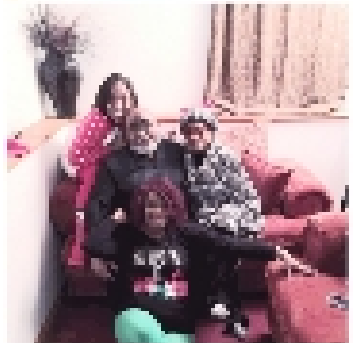
Remarks  
*(Please limit remarks to two minutes)*

Acknowledgements  
*Sister Johnson*

Selection  
*Maureen Tillman-Moss*

Eulogy  
*Reverend Johnson*

Recessional



## **INTERMENT**

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey

*Repast to follow at the church*

# *To My Husband*

I don't have the perfect words to express what a wonderful man God has blessed me with. The special love in my heart has grown more and more through the years. I want you to know that you will be in my heart forever. Thank you for being such a wonderful family man, thank you for being my husband, thank you for being the love of my life, and my boo.

Love you,  
Your wife

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Gregory Ricardo Tillman Sr.** acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended during their time of bereavement. Your love, support, presence, and prayers have sustained us will be remembered. May God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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