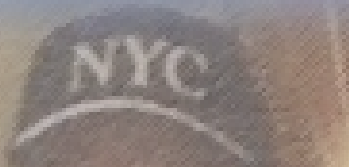


Celebration of Life
for



Willie Edward Simpson, Sr.

Sunrise
March 27, 1935

Sunset
November 2, 2019

Saturday, November 9, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

GREATER PROVIDENCE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

265 S.7th Street, Newark, New Jersey
Rev. Orlando Vick Sr., Officiating

Reflections of Life

Willie Edward Simpson, Sr. was born on March 27, 1935 in Montezuma, GA. He was the second eldest of nine children born to the late Leo and Elizabeth (Stewart) Simpson.

Willie's life was given to God at a very early age. He became a member of the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Dooley County, GA. He was educated in the Macon County Public Schools District.

As a very young man, Willie recognized his skills that later attributed to him becoming a Master Carpenter. He decided to leave his hometown of Montezuma, GA, and moved to New York City, NY in 1957. He was employed by Stein's Construction Company, which ultimately inspired him to establish his own, Simpson & Sons General Contracting which he successfully operated for more than 40 years.

In 1958 Willie met and married Inez (Gilmore) Simpson, and later moved to Newark, NJ. Through this union seven children were born.

Willie was known as "King Simpson" because he was well known, highly respected and loved by so many. He was also known as the "Hammer Man". He carried his hammer all of the time! His favorite quote was "It is Hammer Time."

He was preceded in death by his wife, Inez Simpson; three brothers Frank Simpson, James Simpson and Archie Simpson, two sisters; Rose Pearl Simpson Quinn, and Juanita Simpson.

He departed this life peacefully on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at the Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ.

He leaves to cherish precious memories; five daughters, Patricia Simpson of Hillside, NJ, Sylvia Allen (late Wayne) of Irvington, NJ, Sandra Baldwin (Wesley) of Warnwe Robbins, GA, Drenna Vick (Eugene Jr.) of Newark, NJ, and Ashanti Simpson of Newark, NJ; two sons, Willie E. Simpson, Jr. of Newark, NJ, and Michael Simpson (Lashonda) of Fayetteville, NC; one sister, Elizabeth Simpson of Montezuma, GA; three brothers, Jessie Simpson of Orlando, FL, Lynn Simpson (Tasha) of Rochester, NY and Nathaniel Birdsong; eleven grandchildren, Lamira (Larry), Terrance, Eugene III, Terrel, Tanesha, Kavon, Keyanna, Ijarae, Faith, Navaeh, and Inayah; seven great grandchildren, Altameen, Skyy, Leon, Kymani, Kayleigh, Kevin, Jr., and Eneice; three aunts, Rosetta Kendrick of Montezuma, GA, Martha Campbell and Christine Simpson of Atlanta, GA; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort
Pastor Orlando Vick, Sr.

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery
620 Central Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Willie Edward Simpson, Sr.** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our family during this our time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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