

Funeral Service for
Melvin A. Dias



Sunrise
August 14, 1939

Sunset
February 11, 2020

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST (APOSTOLIC)

29 Haledon Ave. • Paterson, NJ

Elder Wilfred A. McKoy - Interim Pastor

Presiding Bishop Walter G. McKoy - Officiant

Saturday, February 22, 2020

Viewing: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. • Service: 10:00 a.m.

Reflections of Life

Melvin Augustas Dias was born on August 14, 1939 in Baillieston, Jamaica, Clarendon, Jamaica. He was the son of Phillip Dias and Anita Thompson-Wright.

He was educated in Clarendon, Jamaica. and later migrated to England to join his father. Prior to leaving Jamaica he fathered his first two children. In England he met his first wife, Arlene, and together they had six children. Desiring more for their family, they migrated to the United States of America in 1972, settling in Paterson, New Jersey. They built a home together while raising their children.

For many years he worked as a Foreman at the Coining Corporation. Always wanting more for his life, he began many entrepreneurial successes, supporting himself independently. He found success with a career in real estate. Many years later while living in New York, he met his second wife, Maria. Together they had one son. Throughout his life, he fathered twelve children. During his time in New York, he rededicated his life to God. He became a missionary at the Union Baptist Church in New Rochelle, New York. In later years the Lord was very important to him.

On Monday, February 11, 2020, the Lord called him home. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Patricia.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his children, Marcia, Michael, Christopher, Anita, Stephen, Sarah, Robert, Ray, Gary, Melvin, Jr., and Kevin; his mother, Anita Thompson-Wright; his siblings, Pamela, Joan, Cynthia, Alfonso, and Audrey; uncle, Benjamin Thompson; his grandchildren; multiple sons-in-law, and daughters-in-law; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

Melvin enjoyed life, family, reading, and was always interested in political news and discussions. He will be missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him.

Order of Service

Opening Remarks Presiding Bishop Walter G. McKoy
Moderator Bishop Ancel Green
Congregational Hymn When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder
Invocation Reverend Heinrich Dias
Scripture Tributes..... Anita Williams and Michael Thompson
Old Testament Job 14: 1-14
Sarah Dias and Stephen Dias
New Testament Reading I Corinthians 15:50-58
As I Know Him Robert Dias
Tributes/Memories/Song Open to Attendees
Poem In Our Hearts Quyesha Williams-Cruz
Obituary Pamela Bryant
Eulogy Elder Wilfred A. McKoy, Interim Pastor
Closing Prayer

Interment

St. Peter's Cemetery
160 Passaic Street
Garfield, NJ 07026

*The Repast will be held at
Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic
29-35 Haledon Avenue
Paterson, NJ immediately following the Interment.*

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 paths 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 for ever.

Pallbearers
Thank you to all Pallbearers

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Melvin Augustas Dias** 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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