

A Celebration of Life



Edgar Mortimer Beckles

Sunrise
December 12, 1937

Sunset
February 19, 2020

Service

Friday, February 28, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange New Jersey

Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating

Life Reflection

Edgar Mortimer Beckles was born on December 12, 1937 in Georgetown, Guyana to the late James Augustus and Alberta Lillian Beckles.

He received his primary education at St., Cyril's Anglican School (Freeburg) and completed high school at B.G. Educational Trust in Georgetown, Guyana.

In 1955, Edgar joined the Guyana Police Force. After serving with distinction, Edgar wanted to further his academic studies. He emigrated to the United States in 1961 to attend Morgan State College in Baltimore, Maryland. Upon receiving his B.A. (Bachelor of Arts) Degree, Edgar began working at IBM Corporation.

Always reaching for higher accomplishments, in 1968, Edgar joined Sealand Shipping Company which was one of the largest freight companies in America. He began an upward trajectory at Sealand that did not stop until he became a manager in their International Division. Edgar worked and lived in Holland for many years. Later, he returned to the Domestic Division of Sealand in Elizabeth, New Jersey where he remained until his retirement.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved partner of twenty-two years, Janice Johnston; his children, Andre, Gina, and Pierre Beckles, Leslie Crosse and step-daughter, Lakea Johnston; five granddaughters, Adonis, Aniyah, Charessa, Porsche and Samantha; beloved sister, Lurline Byass; brothers-in-law, Oscar James (Doreen), Winston King (Sheila) and many, many nieces and nephews.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....Mr. Emory Lee

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Edward Allen

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Isaiah 40:31.....Charessa Crosse

New Testament - John 14:3Merlene Joseph

Musical Interlude.....Mr. Emory Lee

Poem - " I Felt An Angel"Ms. Leslie Crosse

Life ReflectionsMr. James Beckles

Eulogy.....Reverend Edward Allen

Recessional

INTERMENT

Graceland Memorial Park
Kenilworth, New Jersey

I Felt An Angel

*I felt an angel near today, though one I could not see
I felt an angel oh so close, sent to comfort me
I felt an angel's kiss, soft upon my cheek
And oh, without a single word of caring did it speak
I felt an angel's loving touch, soft upon my heart
And with that touch, I felt the pain and hurt within depart
I felt an angel's tepid tears, fall softly next to mine
And knew that as those tears did dry a new day would be mine
I felt an angel's silken wings enfold me with me with pure love
And felt a strength within me grow, a strength sent from above
I felt an angel oh so close, though one I could not see
I felt an angel near today, sent to contort me.*

Anonymous

PALLBEARERS

Andre Beckles	Aubrey Beckles
James Beckles	Leon Byass
Linden Byass	Oscar James

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for their support in this period of bereavement. Thank you for your love, sympathies and words of sincere condolences, you all touched our hearts in a very special way.

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