



*In Loving Memory of*

*Charlie James Pettiford Jr.*

*Sunrise*  
*December 7, 1948*

*Sunset*  
*May 20, 2020*

# Obituary

## **A Time to Be Born**

Charlie James Pettiford Jr. affectionately known as Charles or “Pop” was born December 7, 1948 in Valdosta, Georgia to the late Charlie James Pettiford Sr. and Delacy Pettiford. The Pettiford Family later moved to Jersey City, New Jersey when “Pop” was a young boy. He was educated in the Jersey City Public School System.

## **A Time to Love**

As a young man he met and married the Love of His Life, Diane Jones. From this union was born two beautiful daughters – Lisa and Valerie.

## **A Time to Grow**

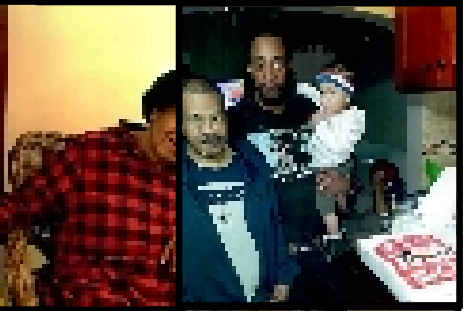
“Pop” was a man who wore many hats. From working with a trucking company; to becoming a manager, a supervisor and head of security. He also managed the State Movie Theatre in Jersey City for many years. He LOVED his mother. He also enjoyed for southern style cooking with banana pudding being his favorite. He was a die-hard fan of the Dallas Cowboys. He was a comedian. He loved to tell jokes and make people laugh.

## **A Time to Reflect**

As “Pop” continued his journey in life he fathered a son Kaprice Powell. Continuing on his journey he met Geneva Thompson and they were married in 2004: and he began the father of her son Stewart Thompson. Geneva pre-ceeded Charles” in death. “Pop” was an original “OG” and truly a rolling stone.

## **A Time To Rest**

Charles transitioned on May 20, 2020 at 11:00pm at Jersey City Medical Center .His passing came 9 days after following his father’s death his father’s death. He was preceded in death by his father Charlie Sr. and a sister Michele Pettiford Hopkins. He leaves to cherish his memory his Mother Delcacy, 2 daughters Valerie and Lisa, 2 sons Kaprice and Stewart. 6 brothers Ronnie, Terry, Ricky, Michael, Jamie, Jody; 5 sisters Rosa, Patricia, Cathy, Vanessa, and Sherry; 17 grandchildren Marcus, Jequan, Jay’Shard, Jerome, Glen, Ja’Leasa, Ja’Kayla, Devon, Shantashia, Tiara, Iyone, Imir, Iquan, Ivan, Emmanuel, Shania, and Za’Keaus. 19 Great Grandchildren a host of nieces, nephews other family; Diane Pettiford (1st wife) Best friend and living caretaker every day until his demise.



## *Hold Us Up Lord*

*Lord, we know You're always busy,  
For You've many things to do,  
But when sorrow overcomes us,  
Well, we need to talk to You.  
For we've lost someone precious,  
And they're with You there above,  
And it's someone that we needed,  
And it's someone that we loved.  
We are feeling lost and all alone,  
And though we do believe,  
We need You, Lord, to hold us up,  
To help us while we grieve.  
Please give us strength and courage, Lord,  
To bear what we must bear  
And nudge us when our faith is weak  
To remind us You are there.  
Give us hope for our tomorrows,  
Tell us life will still go on,  
Show us, Lord, that all this darkness  
Will be followed by the dawn.  
You have led us through so many things,  
You've pulled us through before,  
Hold us up, Lord, till we're through this  
And we are strong once more.*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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