

*In Loving  
Memory of*

*Eric*

*Samuels*

**Sunrise  
June 12, 1928**

**Sunset  
August 1, 2020**



*Service*

**Wednesday, August 12, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.**



**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

## *Obituary*

**Eric A. Samuels**, loving husband and father, 92 yrs old was born on June 12, 1928 to the late Lilian Scarlet and Robert Samuels in Hopewell Hanover, Jamaica. He moved to the United States in 1969 to discover the American dream.

In 1960, Eric married Adlin H. Kerr. Adlin passed away in January 2000. Eric later married Pamela Campbell in 2009.

Eric was a highly skilled master carpenter at Carrol Gardens Film Studio in Jamaica. He retired from East Orange General Hospital as a maintenance and utilities technician after over 25 years of proud service, and he spent his retirement years as a compassionate landlord in East Orange, NJ.

Eric had many affectionate names Pop/Japanese/Sam the man/Mas Eric/Master Jap. Whatever you called him he would be there if you needed him. He would give and sometimes it would never be returned but he would continue to give. He never met a stranger, and his door was always open to those in need. Eric once saw a man walking with a ladder, when others drove by the man Eric stopped and loaded the ladder onto his car and took the man and ladder to where they were going and never asking for anything in return. He was a kind man and a caring man who many called upon when they needed a uplifting word of advice. Eric always made you feel at home and would made sure everyone left with a good meal, a good story and a good long laugh (with the occasional tall tale). Eric could tell the same story over and over and friends and family would enjoy it and laugh each and every time. Eric would cuss and fuss at times but you knew he still loved you. In his latter days he reaffirmed his love for the Lord and recognized Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

Eric was predeceased by siblings George Samuels, Irene Spence, Vivian Lawrence and Ida Fray, son Clifton Samuels and grandson Derrick Samuels II.

Eric leaves behind to cherish to his memory: wife, Pamela Samuels; sons, Lebert Samuels, Derrick Samuels and Elijah Smith; daughters, Barbara Jonassaint and Erica Smith; step-sons, Richard Kerr, Kirk Kerr and Kerwin Kerr; step-daughter, Sophia Kerr; as well as 14 grandchildren and his longtime friends of over 70 years, Cleveland Powell and Harry Anderson.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

**INTERMENT**

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

# *Miss Me, But Let Me Go*

*When I come to the end of the  
road and the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little-but not too long,  
and not with your head bowed low.*

*Remember the love  
that we once shared,  
Miss me-but let me go.*

*For this is a journey  
that we all must take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the Master's plan,  
A step on the road to home.*

*When you are  
lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know.  
Laugh at the things we use to do  
Miss me-but let me go.*

*-author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Eric Samuels** 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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