

*Celebrating
the Life
of*



Earl Miller

Sunrise
October 13, 1942

Sunset
November 20, 2020

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 - 12pm

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr., Officiating

Rev. Marshall Morton, Organist

Obituary

Earl passed away on November 20, 2020. Earl was born in Tampa, Florida, on October 13, 1942, to his late parents, Henry Thomas and Geneva Miller. He later moved with his mother and brothers to New York City in 1949, where he attended public school. As a youth, he was very talented. He played the bongos on 125th Street. He later created a band with his two brothers and cousin. The quartet performed at Amateur Night at the Apollo, where they won first place.

He later graduated from Charles Evans Hughes High School in 1960. He met his first wife, Elsie Lee Summers and from their union they had Lillian Josephine Miller on August 18, 1961. Earl worked at York College Mailroom from 1970 to the early 1980's and later worked at Bronx Community College Mailroom from the early 1980's until his retirement. Earl was a member of the social club "*118th St. Oldtimers.*"

During the late 1960's he met the love of his life, Olivia Hunt. They were married on August 5, 1994 and remained devoted to each other until Olivia passed away on December 12, 2002.

Earl is survived by: his daughter, Lillian Miller and Dexter Romain of Queens, NY and a stepson, Calvin Hunt of New York City, NY; sister, Debra Lundy and brother-in-law, Joseph Lundy of Tampa, FL; four grandchildren, Omar Jones and granddaughter-in-law, Iman Jones of Suffolk County, NY, Brittani Jones of Queens, NY, Raven Jones of Queens, NY, and Ronald Jones of Queens, NY; sister-in-law, Elaine Pinnock of New York City, NY; two nieces, Tori Gray-Thompson and husband, David Thompson of Hackensack, NJ and Elisha Bruton of Tampa, FL; three nephews, Dr. Kwan Drake and wife, Tracye Jackson-Drake of Lake Worth, FL, John Drake III and significant other, Tarnika Mitchell of Tampa, FL and Christopher Lundy of Tampa, FL; close cousins, Dr. Dorsey Miller and wife, Betty Miller of Parkland, FL, Sandra Burton and husband, Doug Burton of New Jersey, Mengwey Nkosazana of New York City, NY, Roosevelt Jones of California, Valerie, Stephanie, and Charles Peoples of Philadelphia, PA; close friends, Bobby Hunter and wife, Laura Hunter of Long Island, NY, James Peterson of Virginia, Joann Lawson of Bronx, NY, Nereida Aviles of New York City, NY, Lena Blaine of Tampa, FL, Alma Griffin of New York City, NY, Cathy Person of Bronx, NY, Sandra Pinnock of New York City, NY, and Jose Ramos of Bronx, NY; two loving god-brothers, Tommy and Karl Wiggerton; four great grandchildren, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and friends; as well as Reverend Nelson C. Dukes; and a loving church family from Fountain Spring Baptist Church Bronx, NY.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Olivia Miller; parents, Henry Thomas and Geneva Miller; stepfather, George Hall; grandmother, Lurena Peebles; two brothers, Jimmie Jackson, Jr. and Edward Jackson; and god-brother, Gary Wiggerton.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park Cemetery
Farmingdale, New York

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.



Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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