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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 Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, 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 savored 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! -author unknown

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The Celebration of Life for

Barry Searcy



November 1,1971 - December 12, 2020

Tuesday, Degember 22, 2020 - 11:00 AM

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Obiluary

Officer Barry Searcy was born on November 1, 1971 in Newark, NJ to James and Annie Mae Searcy; he peacefully transitioned on December 12, 2020 at UMNDJ Hospital.

Barry leaves behind his wife Christina, mother Annie Mae, son Jakai, stepchildren Laroya, Christopher, his "Baby Bubba" Kaylee, brothers Willie James Sapp and Kevin Searcy, his sisters in laws Fern, Samantha, Debbie and Tia and his best friend for over 30 years, his "brother", Moss.

"Searc" attended Weequahic High School where he was notorious for his skills on the football field, his favorite sport! Everyone who knew him knew he was going to put on that hideous Orange and Brown suit and head to the Thanksgiving game every year. He was the Pittsburg Steelers #fan.

In 1997 he began working in Essex County as a Detention Officer where he has an extended family that he loved so much and their love was returned in equal measure, in addition Barry

touched the lives of so many trouble young men through his part-time work with the Youth Advocacy Program in Newark for the last 10 years and many have become great men and stayed in touch with "Mr. B", lastly in between those jobs he has held a part-time position at Hertz Corp. For many years where he made has also worked with so many who will miss him.

Always with a smile or a kind word no matter what he was going through; he never raised his voice but you always knew he had your back; and always had jokes. A husband, a father, and a friend, with whom we shared so many laughs, jokes and created so many special memories.

Barry is peacefully walking around Heaven with your Dad, your brother Timothy, and your mother in law Dolores who left just over a month ago to prepare a place for you. So, until we see you again, we love you, will hold you in our hearts and your memory will always be a blessing.

Order of Service

Opening Prayer: Deacon Daryl Johnson

Selection: Evangelist C. Downings

Scripture: Deacon Daryl Johnson

Obituary: Tia Smith

Eulogy: Pastor Floyd Gaskins

Reflections

Selection: Evangelist C. Downings

Commitment/Closing: Pastor Floyd Gaskins

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