In Loving Memory of



Sunrise August 23, 1930

Sunset January 6, 2021

Friday, January 22, 2021 - 10am

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Clayton Joseph Royer was born on August 23, 1930 to parents, Joseph Clayton Royer and Olive Burke, in New York, New York.

After finishing his education, Clayton joined the United States Army; and he served in the Korean War. He was dedicated in serving the country and was Honorably Discharged. Upon returning home, Clayton proved to be a hard worker. He did carpentry work for many years, his specialty was installing cabinets. Later, he became a cab driver.

In time, Clayton met Ms. Linda Peterson and on May 25, 1984, they married. His family grew from six children to seven, five daughters and two sons.

Around that same time unfortunately, Clayton lost his eye sight. Although he could not see with his physical eyes, he was determined to continue to see and use his mind to the full. He acquired a seeing-eye dog named Garvin, his buddy who he cared for very much. Clayton also learned how to read Braille extremely well. He loved to read in Braille. He joined a book club called Vision, which is enjoyed.

Clayton had many hobbies: he played chess in Braille, he loved fishing, and he played the flute and the saxophone very well. He loved watching anything political and watching old westerns. He loved listening to old school R&B and Jazz. He enjoyed going to concerts and plays with his wife, Linda. Their last show together was the Temptations. Clayton lived a very active life, he didn't sit still. He often could be seen walking around town and exercising. He will be truly missed.

Clayton leaves behind: his wife, his children, his many grandchildren; and a host of other dear family and friends.

Linda fondly recalls how Clayton would never say bye to her as he left out to go somewhere, instead he would always say, 'I love you.' This memory and many others will stay in her heart and in the hearts of those who loved him in return.





I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep, So there's no reason for you to weep; This is a debt we all must pay, You will see me again someday. I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow, Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow. But life for you must go on, You must not worry because I'm gone. You stood beside me all the way, When I was down, you knew what to say. You always told me, "get some rest," Let me sleep now, I've done my best. So please let me rest in peace, The tears you're shedding soon will cease. You'll soon realize this was meant to be, I thank God because He came for me. -Emily Dickinson

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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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