

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Eric Williams*

July 24, 1958 - April 3, 2021



**TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 - 3:00 P.M.**

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

# Obituary

On Saturday, April 3, 2021 our Heavenly Father dispatched his angel to bring our beloved to his eternal home at his home at 15 Hill Street, New Jersey. Eric Williams answered the Master's call. Eric was born on July 24, 1958 to his mother, Doris Williams John son and His father the late Rev. James Black.

Eric after graduating from grammar school attended Essex County Vocational and Technical High School. Eric was called into the ministry many years later under the leadership of the late Bishop C.D. Gilmore. There her served in leadership of O.S.A.T (One Step At A Time) Drug Education.

Minister Eric Williams also served under the leadership of Pastor Greenway at the Christian Love Church.

Minister Williams and Lydia Atkins married on June 15, 2000, where he assisted in raising a baby girl name Breona. He was also a role model for two other grands that came into their lives, Shunay and Talim Rawls. Eric was proud to share the roll of husband, dad, and Pop-Pop. He worked various jobs during his lifetime including Cotton Funeral Home. He had a broad interest in multiple things and had a great faith. He loved to share, God's word was his lifeline of sharing with people of all walks of life. He never let anything deter him from not spreading the good news about Jesus Christ. Minister Williams used his ability to counsel troubled youth as well as teach them the risk of the AID virus.

He loved music and taught himself how to play percussions. He also enjoyed providing music for others to enjoy. His creative talents lead him doing abstract art on glass and canvas. Minister Eric was a very meticulous man and took pride in all that he attempted to do.

As believers, we can be assured that God will not forget us when we die. He will bring us to life again to live with him forever.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his mother, Doris Johnson, his brother, Pastor John White (Sheila), uncles, Deacon Allen Williams, Khalif Rasul (Erma), aunt Joan P. Gainor, granddaughter Breona and two great granddaughters, many cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

## **Processional**

### **Selection**

**Scripture Reading** - Deacon Michael Powell

Old Testament

New Testament

### **Prayer of Comfort**

Pastor Pamela Jones

### **Selection**

### **Remarks**

(Two minutes each please)

### **Acknowledgements**

### **Obituary**

Earlene P. Holt

### **Selection**

### **Eulogy**

Pastor John White

## **Recessional**

# *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 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!

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## *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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