

*In Loving Memory of*



*Jerome Hailstock*

Sunrise  
June 1, 1956

Sunset  
April 6, 2021

Wednesday, April 14, 2021 - 6PM

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027  
Minister Reginald E. Coles, Officiating

# Obituary

**Jerome Hailstock** was born on June 1, 1956 in Harlem Hospital to Frances Holmes and John Hailstock. He grew up in Harlem where he attended Benjamin Franklin High School. Upon graduating, he enlisted into the Army from 1974 to 1976. After that time of service he received an Honorable discharge. That following year in 1977, he met his soon to be wife, Victoria. Later on in March of 1980, he began working for the United States Postal Service where he found a career for 32 years and retired in 2012. In that same year of 1980, his only child Jeryna was born and he married Victoria.

Jerome was an Excellent, Loving and Caring Father to his beloved daughter Jeryna. He loved her to the fullest and she meant everything to him. He took pride in being a great Dad. Jerome and Jeryna loved each other more than words could describe. He was also a devoted and loving Son, Husband, Brother, Uncle and Friend. He was full of life and had the biggest heart and a beautiful spirit. Jerome loved to roller skate which he was outstanding at. Skating was his passion. He loved music, getting on the dance floor, having a good time and just enjoying life. He was the life of the party. Jerome had a playful side to him that would put a smile on your face always. He will definitely be missed and never forgotten.

Jerome Hailstock is preceded in transition by his wife, Victoria Hailstock; father, John Hailstock; sister, Deborah; two brothers, Dennis and Curtis Hailstock; and brother-in-law, Arthur Blake. He leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Jeryna; mother, Frances; his remaining siblings, Wanda (husband, Gregory) Knotts, Janice, Denise (husband, Wade) Cress, Michael, Darleen, Eric (wife, Tisha) Derrick and Millicent (husband, Mark) Watson; thirty nieces and nephews; mother-in-law, Pearl Hayes; an additional five sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and a host of other relatives and his dear friends.

# Order of Service

## Processional

### Scripture Readings:

Old Testament - Psalm 23:1-6.....Michael Hailstock

New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.....Denise Cress

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Comfort**..... Min. Reginald E. Coles

**Song of Celebration**.....Darleen Owens

## Expressions of Love

**Obituary**.....Bianca Lyder-Simmons

## Song of Zion

**Eulogy/Committal**.....Reverend Roderick P. McArthur

## Final Viewing

## Recessional

### **INTERMENT:**

Calverton National Cemetery  
Calverton, 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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