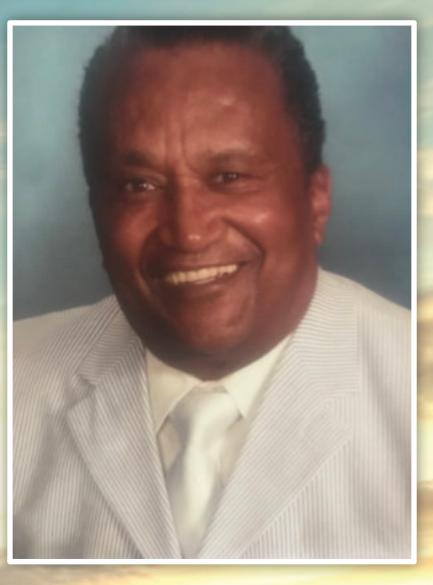
## In Loving Memory of Melvin William Conte, Sr.

Sunrise December 12, 1936 Sunset April 25, 2021



SATURDAY MAY 8, 2021 - 12:00PM

**WOODY HOME FOR SERVICES** 163 Oakwood Avenue • Orange, New Jersey 07050

Obituary

Melvin William Conte Sr. was born December 12, 1936 to the late Edna Worrell and Samuel Conte in Newark, New Jersey. He was the fourth oldest of eleven children. He attended school in the Newark school system. In 1955 he joined the air force in Ardmore Oklahoma.

In 1957, he met the love of his life Betty Jean Shaw of Ardmore, Oklahoma . The two later married and moved to Newark, New Jersey. Melvin was a loving and devoted husband and father of seven children.

He went on to work for the US Post Office for 36 years where he later retired. In 1997 he started Melcon Painting Co. with his son Melvin Jr. After retiring from there he went on to work part time as a paid extra in movies and commercials in 2001.

Melvin started studying the Bible with Jehovah's Witnesses and in 1966 together with his wife symbolized their dedication to Jehovah. Over the course of his life Melvin was privileged to serve as a ministerial servant and elder. His greatest happiness was being a servant of Jehovah as he served along with his family. He enjoyed telling all those whom he came in contact with about the many blessings he personally received as well the future blessings yet to come. Melvin fought hard with various health challenges toward the end of this life, however he always had the firm assurance of the hope expressed at Rev 21:3,4 which states in part "...And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away."

Melvin was affectionally known as 'Mack' to all. He had such an infectious personality that no matter who he met, that individual would always leave feeling uplifted.

He loved taking family vacations, going to the park with family and friends, and reminiscing for hours with his siblings and friends about old times. He also loved learning about history and will be missed by many.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Jean Conte, brothers: Earl Conte, Ronald Conte, Lloyd Conte and Gordon Conte. Sisters: Deloris Hayes and Eyvonne Quinerly.

Melvin leaves to cherish his memories seven children: Cyrus (Marie), Charmaine, Ronald, Richard (Josephine), Yvette, Melvin Jr. and Renee; 9 grandsons: Marod (Nyeemah), Floyd III (Abi), Richard Jr., Jamiah, Kenan (Monique), Terill, Reggie, Walter, Ronald (Christina); 5 granddaughters: Yasmeen, Carla, Ismay (Werner), Qiana, Dana (Nathaniel); 23 great grandchildren: Zakhi, Tristan G, Tatum, Tajh, Samaya, Alisa, Ashton, Brooke, Shawn, Ashley, Jaquay, Idriese, Tanayah, Tanasia, Taleah, Tristan H, Kayla, Lauren, Kristen, Jordan, Yara, Lilly, Giavanna; siblings: brothers: Dennis (Elizabeth), Darrol; Sisters: Laverne (Pete), Phyllis (Harold) extended family: Rebecca, Angela, Jae, Floyd Jr. and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Order of Service

Chairman	Garland Webb
Opening Song	140 - Life Without End At Last
Opening Prayer	Cyrus Wrenn
Reading of the obituary	Forest McCloud
Memorial Talk	Albert Valentine
Closing Song	151 - He Will Call
Closing Prayer	Albert Valentine

Private Cremation

Rosedale Cemetery Orange, NJ

Acknowledgement

The family of **Melvin Conte Sr.** would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for all the kindness and expressions of love and support at this time. Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, text messages, emails, flowers, and memories you have shared with us. It is a blessing to have you all in our lives.

Special acknowledgement to John Gregory Croom, Patricia Mosley, Yolanda and Laverne Petersen, Antoine and Lisa Richardson, and those who assisted with the Zoom administration.

The family would also like to thank Woody Home for Services Inc for entrusting excellent service, kindness, and loving support toward the family in our time of need.

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