



# FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

A Special Message from  
DaRon's Lumpkins Family

Rachel Lumpkins  
Nile M. Lumpkins  
Arielle M. E. Lumpkins



To have known our LEADER is to have been a recipient of his love, wisdom, protection, provision, smiles and oversight; witness the passion in his eyes; the admiration and pride in his family and experienced the versatile music in his life. Yet, most importantly... was the ability to share GOD's love in his life and to experience his ordained heart felt message... that which we now share with you:

*2 Timothy 2:15  
Study to shew thyself  
approved unto God, a  
workman that needeth  
not to be ashamed,  
rightly dividing the word  
of truth.*

## Acknowledgement

*With thankful hearts and sincere gratitude, the Lumpkins family acknowledges all gestures of love, prayer, friendship, calls, cards and thoughtful concerns during our time of bereavement. May God bless and keep you.*

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# A Celebration of Life for Deacon DaRon Maurice Lumpkins



*Husband, Father,  
Brother, Uncle, Nephew,  
Cousin, Protector,  
Provider, Friend*

Sunrise  
July 7, 1959

Sunset  
June 27, 2021

TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021 - 11:00 AM  
**Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church**  
88 Lyons Avenue • Newark, New Jersey 07203  
*Rev. Dr. Allen S. Potts, Officiating*

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# Obituary

DaRon Maurice Lumpkins was born on July 7, 1959 to the late Professor Leon Lumpkins and the beautiful Florence Johnson Lumpkins. He peacefully transitioned into eternal rest with God on June 27, 2021 at 12:23AM.

Majoring in Music, DaRon attended Essex County College after graduating from Weequahic High School (The Indians) in 1977. A lover of all genre of music, he played Alto Saxophone, Lead and Bass Guitar and the Drums. He even played a little piano, while never hesitating to give a quick music lecture and teaching so many people the love of music.

In 1984 he met his love Rachel Jackson while both were part of the MAZ Choir. DaRon, playing the Bass and Guitar and Rachel singing in the choir, found themselves always talking about their high schools and challenging each other on which was “the best.” True, in 1976 Weequahic did have the best JAZZ Band but, Arts High had the best Chorus and Instrumental Band section. Cupid ultimately finalized the discussion and during their 39 years of marriage God blessed and gifted their loving union with Nile Maurice and Arielle Elizabeth Elaine Lumpkins.

DaRon was employed with Allied Universal Protection in Short Hills Mall for numerous years. Known as the man to “go to for prayer”, he never

left for work without saying “See you tomorrow if it’s God’s will.” He will truly be missed!

DaRon’s spiritual walk began with Rev. Zimmerman and ended with Pastor Edward Steed. His many mentors included: Pastor Louis E Wright Sr. (who ordained DaRon as a Deacon), Deacon Hutchinson (who taught DaRon Deaconship service and proper Pastoral support) and Deacon Elwood Pryor. DaRon was very fond of Deacon Pryor (who studiously nurtured and mentored him on the scripture—God’s Word). Because of him whenever DaRon needed to explain something, he would always say “Let’s go to the WORD.” Deacon Pryor had Men’s Bible Study every Friday night and he, Deacon Hutchinson, Clarence and Tyrone were always there. DaRon was so proud to be ordained as a Deacon by Pastor Louis E. Wright Sr. and fulfilled his Deaconship service with honor until his health prevented it.

DaRon leaves behind beautiful memories for his loving wife Rachel, strong and courageous son Nile, beautiful and loving daughter Arielle; his brother and sister-in-law Lawrence & Pam Jackson; Uncle Edward A. Jones (Marcie) Richmond, VA; Aunts Mary L. Beene, (Nashville, TN), Louise McQueen (Cleveland, OH) and Helen Chiles (Plainfield, NJ); loving cousins Keith Lumpkins, Vincent Chiles, Sharon Lee and Wendel Caleb; the Berean Bible Family and a host of other family and friends.

# Order of Service

HYNMAL  
Mr. Basil T. Morgan: Musical Director  
Blessed Assurance

PRAYER OF COMFORT  
Pastor Edward Steed

OLD TESTAMENT READING  
Sister Deborah Foreman: GABC  
Psalm 23

NEW TESTAMENT READING  
Sister Alicia Harris: Antioch BC  
John 14: 1-4

MUSICAL SELECTION  
Mr. Charles Barnes

OBITUARY READING  
Mrs. Tanya Wilson-Chiles

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS  
Elder Paulette Brower

REFLECTIONS  
Please limit to 2 minutes

MUSICAL TRIBUTE  
Mr. Basil T Morgan

EULOGY  
Rev. Reginald Harris

CLOSING REMARKS  
Elder Paulette Brower

RECESSIONAL  
Going Up Yonder

Ceremony Officiant  
Elder Paulette Brower, Elmwood UPC

*Interment*  
Graceland Memorial Park  
1900 Galloping Hill Road  
Kenilworth, NJ 07083

**PALL BEARERS**  
Charles Logan Garrett  
Hazel Stuckey, Jr

**FLOWER BEARERS**  
Bianca Garrett  
Alicia Harris  
Penny Cosby-Morgan  
Sondra Stuckey