

Precious Memories



To Those Whom I Love and Those Who Love Me

To those I love and those that love me,
When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I travel alone
So grieve for a while for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you so soft and clear
And then, when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say,
"Welcome Home."
-Author unknown

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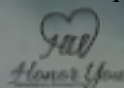
The family of the late **Donald Emmanuel Powell** wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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Service of Triumph



Donald Emmanuel Powell

Sunrise:
June 13, 1950

Sunset:
October 1, 2021

Friday, October 8, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
575 E. 18th Street, Paterson, New Jersey
Rev. Dr. Randall M. Lassiter, Pastor
Rev. Pamela Powell, Officiating

Obituary

On June 13, 1950 in Paterson, New Jersey, in the beauty of a day that was ordained by God and now consumed forever into eternity, Ellsworth and Rosetta Powell were blessed with the birth of their second child; a beautiful bouncing boy who they named Donald Emmanuel Powell. God called him from the labor of this world to receive his heavenly crown on October 1, 2021.

Don or Donnie as he was affectionately known by family and friends graduated from Eastside High School. He matriculated at the University of Detroit and graduated with a degree in Business Administration. As a life learner, he continued his education by attending Saint Peters University. There he received two master degrees in Business Administration and Educational Leadership. Donnie was employed for many years in the IT department with AT&T that later became Avaya. After many years of working in corporate America, Donnie changed careers and entered the field of education. He served as an educator at the School of Culinary Arts Hospitality and Tourism located at the Eastside High School Educational complex in Paterson, NJ. Donnie has affected and left an indelible mark in the lives of many of his students. Although he retired in 2018, he is revered by many of his colleagues. Even today, his legacy is still much alive in the halls of the school.

Donnie accepted Christ at an early age at Calvary Baptist Church, Paterson, New Jersey and he remained actively involved in church life until his transition. Through his years at Calvary, Donnie had a deep passion for music and loved singing. He was a member of the youth choir, senior choir, organizing

member of the male chorus and the men's fellowship. Many considered him to have one of the best bass voices in this region. Through his passion for singing, he became an organizing member of the Men of Umoja Chorale Assemble. While a member of the group he served as vice president and Chaplin. Donnie was also a member of the following: North Jersey Philharmonic Glee Club, Newark, NJ; Ric Charles Chorale Assemble in Plainfield NJ; Integrity Lodge No. 51, Free and Accepted Masons, Prince Hall Affiliate, Paterson, NJ and Delta Mu Lambda of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Donnie met and married the love of his life, Barbara Jones, on June 10, 1999. He enjoyed his status as bonus dad to Barbara's son, David and he graciously accepted the role of grandpa to Octavia and Dante.

Donnie will be remembered for his small stature yet giant size personality and character. One could anticipate that there would be laughter and joke telling anytime Donnie was around. His laughter alone could make other people smile. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Donnie leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife Barbara of Carteret, New Jersey; his bonus son David Jones (Mary) of Maryville, Illinois; granddaughter Octavia Jones, grandson Dante Jones; brothers Tyrone Ellsworth Powell (Ann) Paterson, NJ; Gary Powell, Paterson, NJ; sister Rev. Pamela M. Powell, Paterson, NJ; beloved nieces Brittany Fairweather and Maya Powell; chosen sister Sylvia Ligon, a host of cousins, fraternal brothers, church members and friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Comfort I Know it was the Blood
James Cosby

Old Testament Lesson Ecclesiastes 3: 1- 8

New Testament Lesson 2 Timothy 4:7-8

Musical Selection I Shall Wear Crown
Felisha Farrar

Resolutions and Acknowledgements Marsha Muckle

Words of Tribute Brittany Fairweather, Niece
Deacon Janette Lyde
Deaconess Dorothy Rowe
Trustee Douglas Smith
Stanley Sumter, President
Delta Mu Lambda of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity
Dale "Skip" Van Rensalier

Obituary Theresa Mims

Musical Selection You Know My Name
Felisha Farrar

Eulogy (A Sister's Tribute) Rev. Pamela M. Powell

Closing Selection