

*In Loving Memory of*



*Calverton Clarke*

Sunrise  
April 26, 1954

Sunset  
November 15, 2021

Service:  
Sunday, December 5, 2021 - 4:00 pm

**MCCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME**  
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Kevin Wade, Organist

# *Obituary*

**Calverton E. Clarke**, affectionately called Tony, was born on April 26, 1954 to Gloria Coley and Clive Alrich Clarke in the Parish of Manchester, Jamaica, W.I.

He attended Ms. May Saunders' Basic School in George's Valley and later moved on to May Day Primary School. On Sundays, Tony and his cousins would attend Sunday School at Ms. May's or St. Mark's Anglican Church. It was a joyful occasion for them to walk to Mandeville or take Mr. Edwards bus. Tony's foundation began in the church and he was a firm believer in the Lord.

Tony migrated to the United States in March of 1971 to join his mom, who he had a special and close connection to, after being looked after and nurtured by his grandmother Florence Coley with the help of one of his aunts, Vivia Coley-Reid while his mom, who was lovingly called "Auntie G" by many, paved the way for his smooth transition to the states. Tony watched his mother work very hard in service to others and as an adult Tony held several positions in the medical field always serving as a patient representative or customer service rep. He enjoyed serving people and due to that he retired in 2015 when his mom became ill so he could care for and serve her.

One thing about Tony is that he believed in eating healthy and frequently visited his "roots man", Brotha Ruddy to the point where they knew him by sight and name. Nevertheless, while he did all this he still made sure to stay in touch with relatives and friends. As most would say, Tony had the memory of an elephant. He never forgot a person or a place. He and Auntie G spent countless hours talking about different places, people and things in Jamaica. After leaving Jamaica for over 40 years and recently returning to lay his mother's ashes to rest, he still remembered specific locations and was able to point them out. Besides a great memory Tony had many other talents. He enjoyed making jewelry and learning about precious stones. He loved flowers and plants and would care and nurture them like no other. Most of all, Tony was a lover of cars. He would spend countless late nights sitting and sketching his favorite formula one cars as well as other cars. He loved them all, from his very first car, which was a red Capri to his appreciation of Volkswagen cars (Including his beloved blue VW). There was not a car created that he could not provide you with an abundance of facts and information about.

Tony's passing is a significant loss to us all and leaves a huge void. That being said he would want to have people always think of him with a smile. "T" will forever be missed by his immediate family, in addition to a host of cousins, colleagues, and many close friends both near and far.

# *Order of Service*

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## **Opening Prayer**

Reverend Theodora Brooks

## **Opening Hymn**

“How Great Thou Art”

## **First Reading**

1st Corinthians 15:52-57 - Dylan Hill

## **Musical Selection**

Derrick McPherson

## **Second Reading**

Psalms 121 - Elaine Powell

## **Eulogy**

Lenorah Powell

## **Homily**

Reverend Theodora Brooks

## **Closing Hymn**

“I’ll Fly Away”

# *Final Disposition*

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Ferncliff Crematory  
Hartsdale, New York

# *Miss Me But, Let Me Go*

When I come to the end of the  
road and the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little-but not too long,  
and not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that we once shared,  
Miss me-but let me go.  
For this is a journey that we all must take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the Master's plan,  
A step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know.  
Laugh at the things we use to do  
Miss me-but let me go.  
-author unknown

## *Acknowledgments*

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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