

*Celebration Of Life  
For*

*Raymond  
E.  
Tucker*

Sunrise: June 20, 1935

Sunset: January 31, 2022

Service

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 - 12:00 P.M.

**HERBERT T. MCCALL FUNERAL HOME**

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Rev. Roderick McArthur, Officiating

Prof. Tyrone Patrick, Organist

# *Order of Service*

*Organ Prelude*

*Processional.....Clergy and Family*

*Invocation*

*Selection*

*Scripture Reading*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Acknowledgements*

*Selection*

*Reflections..... 1 minute please*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Benediction*

*Recessional*

**Final Disposition**  
*Woodlawn Crematory*  
*Bronx, New York*

# Obituary

*Ray was born on June 19, 1935 in Harlem, New York to Ralph and Rose Tucker. He was the last surviving member of the Tucker family. Both his parents and brother, James have predeceased him. Ray was truly a son of Harlem, through and through. He loved his beloved neighborhood.*

*He and his wife, Bevelynn Tucker were married on January 31, 2014 and he died on their anniversary January 31, 2022. Ray attended the New York City public school system and after graduating High School he was proud to enlist in the Air Force. He served his country overseas in the Korean War. Ray was a jack of many trades, he worked as a lifeguard, owned a record store, worked for Atlantic Records, the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), Board of Education and the Veterans Administration.*

*Ray lived most of his life in Harlem and was a phenomenal athlete, he swam and played basketball, and was a lifelong Yankee fan, a fantastic dancer and he even studied ballet. He was a stylish man with the swagger of a true Harlemit! He was an avid collector of movies in VHS or DVD format, and had more than 4,000 of them, but loved horror movies the most. He also had an extensive vinyl record collection. He was a self-taught carpenter, and built floor to ceiling bookcases, closets, and many other things in his lifetime.*

*Ray is survived by his wife, Bevelynn Tucker, Bronx, New York; daughters, Diana Tucker Figueroa (Richard Figueroa) New York, Chimene Tucker, Los Angeles, and Shameka Go; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law; nieces and nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.*

# *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 Him 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 now found that peace at the close of 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, and I savored 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 and He set me free.*

## *Acknowledgements*

*The family of Raymond Tucker wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the support, prayers, expressions of sympathy and acts of love and kindness during their time of bereavement.*

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