

Thursday, June 16, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

### Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church

58 West 135th Street, New York, NY 10037
Bishop Julius H. McAllister, Jr., Presiding Prelate

First Episcopal District

Reverend Dr. Kim W. Anderson, Presiding Elder

Manhattan District

Reverend Jeaninne D. Wallace, Ph.D., Pastor

### **OBITUARY**

**John Harris**, sunrise November 9, 1940, on that day he was gifted to his mother, the late Eva Harris. John's sunset was on June 7, 2022, at home with his loving wife beside him. God called him and he answered and went home peacefully. Loving his Heavenly Mansion of God's Glory.

John was raised in Lundberg, Georgia by his mom. He was educated in the Georgia school system from elementary school to high school and college.

John worked at Good Year Tire Company. He was employed for many years as Manager of Sales. During his employment years, John was appreciated and highly liked by his co-workers and boss.

John was a devoted, faithful, humble and loyal member of Ebenezer AME Church. He was the Superintendent of the Sunday School of Ebenezer. He also taught Adult School every Sunday with great knowledge and joy. John loved to sing religiously. He was a member of the male choir of Ebenezer.

He was a strong advocate of reading. He enjoyed reading the Bible every day, evening and night. He owned an outstanding number of Bibles of all types. His wife gave many of his Bibles as gifts to family, friends, neighbors and others to clear their bedroom. Amen.

John manifested the Godly powers of belief, compassion, dedication, faith, humanity, love and true willingness to help and support all that needed him with true spirituality.

John leaves his heartfelt memory to his devoted and loving wife, Lillie Mae Harris; his sons, John Harris, Jr. (Juanita) and Johnathan Harris (Nikisha); his daughters, Desiree Harris and Chyreese Harris; his grandsons, Edwin Harris and Jamel Harris; and his granddaughters, Janae Harris, Janaiyah Harris and Jaydad Harris. John was honored with ten grandchildren and he had three honorary children of his wife, Lillie Mae: son, Sam Lessington, Jr. and daughters, Sharon Lessington and Cassandra Lessington. John also had a number of honorary family members: five grands, one great grand, two godsons, two goddaughters, and two sisters that predeceased him. John also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, many other dear family and friends.

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Congregation Standing
The Processional
The Hymn of Praise "When Peace Like a River"
The Prayer of ComfortSister Ruth Ravenell
The Scripture Readings Old Testament - Psalm 23Sister Jackie Ravenell New Testament - John 14:1-7Brother Ricky Ravenell
The SelectionSister Florie Smoot
The Family Tribute/Reflections (2 minutes)Ruth Ravenell (niece) Linda & Christopher Lawrence (niece & nephew John Harris, Jr. (son Johnathan Harris (son
The ObituaryJanae Harris (granddaughter)
The Acknowledgements/ResolutionSister Michelle D. Andrews
The Sermonic Selection" "I Won't Complain"
The EulogyReverend Jeaninne D. Wallace
The Benediction
The Recessional

**INTERMENT:** 

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

# **DEAR JOHN**

We will not see your gracious face tomorrow

Hear your fun, full voice tomorrow

Feel your comforting hands

Nor your encouraging hugs tomorrow

Your warm tender kisses on our foreheads, cheeks and lips

Will not be felt tomorrow. BUT...

John you will remain in our hearts, minds, soul and spirits

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Forevermore and more.

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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