

*In Loving Memory of*



*Charlie Lee Russell*

Sunrise: August 20, 1930  
Sunset: September 10, 2022

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022 - 11:00 AM

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

# Obituary

## **Forever In Our Hearts**

Charlie Lee Russell, was born on August 20, 1930 in Americus Georgia, to the late Walter and Frances Russell Sr. He peacefully departed this life on September 10, 2022.

Charlie, left home at the age of 15 to find work in Maryland, where he met the late Walter and Ruth Price. He moved to New York to live with his cousin. He later moved to New Jersey.

Charlie, retired in 1996 after 32 years of service as a foreman from the City of Newark Water/Sewer Department. He was a strong hard working man and very passionate about his work. While retired, Charlie pursued jobs from people he met. He would gear up and come with his tools ready to fix whatever needed fixing. No job was too small or large for him to fix. He would work long hours to complete the job. He also loved fixing on cars.

Charlie was soft spoken but stern, loving, thoughtful, kind with a heart of gold and loved his family. If you asked him for anything he would give it to you, if he didn't have it he never said no just made a way to get it for you. He was one of a kind and a true definition of man, father, brother, uncle, grandfather, great grandfather, cousin and friend. He was always present and a phone call away if you needed him. His love was unconditional. When you said I love you, he said I love you more. His presence brought joy to all that had the pleasure of knowing him. Charlie will be deeply missed.

Charlie is preceded by his brothers; Walter Jr., James Sr., Johnnie Lee, daughter; Deborah, son; Howard

He will be cherished and remembered by his life companion; Nina Wright children; Curtis (Maxine), Maadarria, Aneesah, Jamilah (Jamil), Hakim (Neredia), Larry, stepchildren; Khalifah, Naeem, Aaminah, Qasim, Wanda, sisters; Mattie (Late Willie C), Lois (Late Bishop JT), nineteen grandchildren, twenty eight great grandchildren, former wife; Eva Russell and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

# Order of Service

Opening Words of Welcome

Prayer

Musical Selection

Poem

Reading of Cards and Obituary

Eulogy

Closing

## Interment

Restland Memorial Park  
East Handover, NJ





# Acknowledgement

*The family of **Charlie Lee Russell** is deeply grateful for the kindness and compassion you have extended to our family during this time of bereavement.*

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## Professional Services Provided By

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