

CELEBRATION OF LIFE OF

Willis Avery Bellamy

Sunrise

January 11, 1957

Sunset

January 11, 2023



Service

Friday, February 10, 2023 • 11:00 a.m.

The Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral of New York

111-54 Floyd H. Flake Boulevard • Jamaica, New York, 11433

The Reverend Elaine M. Flake, D. Min., Pastor

The Reverend Nichole L. Edness, Officiating

Dr. Frankco Harris, Organist

Order of Service

The Prelude

The Final Viewing

The Opening Song “You Are My Strength” - Rev. Dr. Frankco Harris

The Prayer of Comfort Rev. Dr. Richard Spaulding
Ark of Safety Faith Center Union, N.J.

The Scripture Readings:

Old Testament - Joel 2:12-13

New Testament - John 14:1-3

The Selection “Stand” - Rev. Dr. Frankco Harris

The Acknowledgment of Condolences

The Family Tribute Reflections From a Daughter, Rasheda Hood

The Obituary Raffiel Hood

The Selection “Trust Me” - Rev. Dr. Frankco Harris

The Eulogy Bishop Marvin Denson Jr.
Restoration International Worship Center, Baltimore MD

The Moments of Meditation

The Closing Prayer

The Benediction

The Recessional

Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park
Farmingdale, New York

Obituary

Willis Avery Bellamy was born January 11th, 1957, in Queens, New York to the late Aubrey and Lena Mae Bellamy. He was the third oldest of 7 children. He graduated from John Adams highschool in 1975. He lived in New York all his life until his daughter asked him to come visit her in Utah in 2005. He left the life he knew and his beloved sister Jackie who he referred to as “Fats” for something different and unknown. It was a great success. He loved Utah so much it became his home.

While in Utah Willis worked on Dugway Proving Ground, Directorate of Family and Moral, Welfare and Recreation from August 2005 through February 2022. He retired as a Lead Cook. He was very well known by all the employees and patrons for his tasty food and his cheerful disposition. In 2017 Willis was awarded Employee of the Quarter and then Employee of the Year for outstanding service. He was awarded The Department of the Army Civilian Service Commendation Medal in 2022, The Commander’s Award for Civilian Service in 2017 along with many other Certificates of Appreciation and Accommodations. In his last months of his life Willis enjoyed retirement and chose to stay in Utah because he enjoyed the quiet and solitude that the community brought.

He loved golfing, skiing (in his younger years), baseball, Hallmark Channel on Sundays and Cartoons at night. His snack habits were unmatched and a habit that was definitely passed down to his grandkids and children.

On January 11, 2023 God called Willis home. He is survived by his children Lasun Johnson I of Laurinburg, NC. Rasheda Hood (Raffiel) of Fredericksburg, VA. Cassandra Hopkins Ronkonkama, NY.

He leaves to cherish his memory; 6 grandchildren. Lasun Johnson II, Eric Casillas, Evan Johnson-Contreras, Na’Kiyah, Jonathan and Atarah Hood. Four Brothers Rodney Bellamy, Jeffrey Bellamy, Scott Bellamy and Terrence Bellamy. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family, dear friends and co-workers.

Willis was preceded in death by his Sister Jacqueline Bellamy- Fredericks. Brother Aubrey Bellamy, 2 grandsons Raffiel Hood Jr. and Seth Hood.

His loud laugh and huge smile were infectious and could fill a room. His kind heart and caring nature will be missed. Daddy, Pop, Big Bro, Uncle Willis, Uncle Munchie, Mr. Willis, Big Will, Mr. Bellamy or whatever you called him... ALL will agree he was a special kind of guy, deeply loved and will forever be missed.

Until We Link Again

*We just spoke the other day.
So this is quite a shock for us.
Not fair, not right, downright cold.
This life feels so... unjust.*

*"He's in a better place. It's in God's plan"
That's what we're taught to accept and believe.
See, empathetically while we say that to others.
It's not what we want to hear when it's our turn to grieve.
We'll reminisce over photos and exchange stories.
And although it will surely take a while.
This sudden heartache and pain will lighten up.
As we remember and picture your child-like smile.
This year's birthday wishes may have gone unheard.
Our plans for the summer canceled, cut short to say the least.
But while we await our re-link and eternal vacation with you...
enjoy your unlimited golf, and welcome to your new forever...
Rest In Peace.*

Love you Always Cassandra



Acknowledgements

*For all the kindness you have shown, we thank you very much.
For sympathy in sorrowing days, for friendships healing touch.
With gratitude our hearts are full, though words cannot convey
The tender thoughts and Thankfulness, We hold for you today.*

-The Family of Willis A. Bellamy

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