

*In Loving Memory of*

A portrait of Charles Boston, a middle-aged Black man with a goatee, wearing a dark collared shirt and a patterned tie. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

*Charles Boston*

July 2, 1954 - March 26, 2025

**Friday, April 11, 2025**

**Viewing: 4pm - 6pm**

**Service: 6pm**

**Canaan Baptist Church of Christ**

132 W. 116th Street, New York, NY 10026

## Obituary

**Charles “Charlie B” Boston** was born on July 2, 1954, in Harlem, New York, to the late John White and Mary “Lola” Boston. He was the eighth of twelve siblings raised in a close-knit, loving family on 122nd Street. Charlie graduated from Brandeis High School.

Affectionately known as Charlie B and Tony, he was a devoted father, brother, son, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend. He cherished spending quality time with loved ones at cookouts, family reunions, and taking the neighborhood children on trips to Six Flags, Dorney Park, and Coney Island. Some of the most cherished memories include unforgettable family vacations to Orlando, Florida. Charlie loved seeing the joy on everyone’s faces.

A faithful servant of the Lord, Charlie worshipped at Central Baptist Church, where he encouraged others to cultivate their personal relationship with God. His selflessness was evident throughout his life, and even in his final days, he continued to pray for the well-being of his family and friends.

Charlie was called from labor to rest on March 26, 2025. He was preceded in death by his eldest son, Reggie; his parents, John and Mary; and his siblings, Helen, Thomas, Carey, Lil John, Robert, Butch, Maria, and Victoria. He leaves behind a legacy of love and fond memories, cherished by his sons Karl, Kurshaun, and Lil Charlie; daughters Chariot, Mercedes, and Te’a (in-law); 14 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; his brother Karl; sisters Donna and Dorothy (in-law); as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many dear friends. He will be deeply missed by all who know him.

# *Order of Service*

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**PROCESSIONAL**

Family

**HYMN OF CONSOLATION**

(All)

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(Usually for Member)

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**PRAYER OF CONSOLATION**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**Reflections**

**(Limit 3 people 3 mins)**

**OBITUARY**

**(Can be read silently)**

**Solo**

**(Special Music)**

**EULOGY**

**BENEDICTION**

*Interment*

Mt. Holiness Memorial Park  
Butler, New Jersey

# I'M FREE

Don't mourn for me, for I am free,  
I walk the path God set for me.  
I took His hand when I heard His call,  
Turned away and left it all.  
I couldn't stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Unfinished tasks must rest in peace,  
I found my calm as the day ceased.  
If my departure leaves a space,  
Fill it with joy, a warm embrace.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
These are the moments I'll surely miss.  
Do not dwell in sorrow's embrace,  
I wish you sunshine, bright with grace.  
My life was full, I cherished it so,  
With friends, with love, with hearts aglow.  
Though my time was short, it's true,  
Don't stretch it out with grief anew.  
Lift your heart and smile with me,  
For God has called, He set me free.

## *Acknowledgement*

*We would like to thank you for all the expressions of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement.*

*The Family*

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