

# *I Must Go*

*I must go, don't weep for me,  
For I have finally won the victory,  
Don't look upon me and be sad,  
Let your heart rejoice and be glad  
For I have finally won the race  
And I am gone to a better place.  
With new strength and courage I must hurry on  
And the burdens of life seem far beyond;  
Now the children have grown and gone their way  
And the angels called me on that day...  
But with blessings from my God above  
I feel so filled with His eternal love.*



## *Acknowledgments*

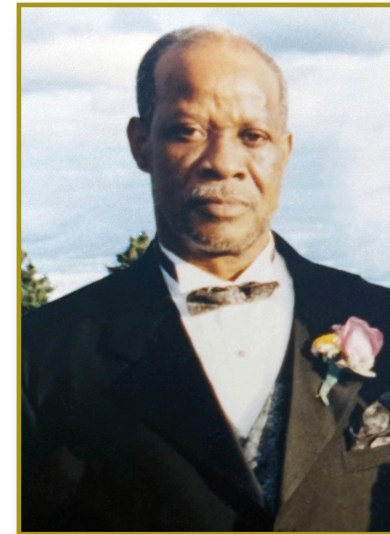
The family wishes to express sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who demonstrated their love and support through prayers, visits, and telephone calls during this time of bereavement. Blessings to you and your loved ones always.

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*In Loving Memory of*



# *Garnett S. Lewis*

SUNRISE: AUGUST 3, 1945 - SUNSET: DECEMBER 8, 2024

## *Funeral Service*

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 • 10:30 A.M.

**BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME**

630 St. Nicholas Avenue • New York, NY 10030

**PASTOR ED PULLOCH, Officiating**

## *Interment*

**FOREST LAWN MEMORIAL GARDENS**

Iselin, New Jersey

# Order of Service

## MUSICAL PRELUDE

INVOCATION ..... PASTOR ED PULLOCH

MUSICAL SELECTION ..... "BLESSED ASSURANCE"

## SCRIPTURE READING

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-11 ..... CRYSTAL LEWIS

PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... PASTOR ED PULLOCH

MUSICAL SELECTION ..... "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL"

REFLECTIONS ..... FAMILY & FRIENDS

*Two Minutes Please*

OBITUARY ..... WILLOW JONES

## SCRIPTURE READING

JOHN 14:1-3 ..... DEVON LEWIS

EULOGY ..... PASTOR ED PULLOCH

BENEDICTION ..... PASTOR ED PULLOCH

RECESSIONAL ..... "WE'RE MARCHING TO ZION"

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# Obituary

GARNETT SYLVESTER LEWIS was born in Jamaica, WI, and raised in Bellas Gate, St. Catherine on August 3, 1945. *Jeremiah 1:5* states "before he was formed in his mother's womb God knew him and called him to be." This comforts us to know he is God's. He was the third of eight children born to Naomi and Henry Lewis. While in Bellas Gate he met his beloved wife Iris Blake-Lewis and together they have five beautiful children Devon Lewis, Marcia Lewis, Wayne Lewis, Jacqueline Lewis, Nadene Lewis. They both migrated to America for a better life for their family. They settled in New York City in the late 70's, in the borough of Manhattan where he resided until his passing. He worked at St. Luke Roosevelt Hospital now known as Mount Sinai Hospital, where he worked for many years and later retired in 2020.

He was the "go to" pillar when life got rough, he was our sanity in this crazy world and our comfort when we needed clarity. He was always someone we could count on and a straight shooter. He always got the point across without judgment and always provided great wisdom and insight. He always gave above and beyond and instilled in all he made contact with the heart of a lion, the love of GOD, family and country and an insane work ethic. He was a loving man to many who were not just his own. After laying your troubles on him you walked away relieved and free because of his wise words. He was personable, loved his fellow man and community. He loved to laugh and was very kind at heart, he was very independent, very free spirited and very self-sufficient, he would give you the shirt off his back. He had a love for sports, basketball and baseball was his thing; and his love for "Reggae Music" One Love was Papa slogan, if you would just meet him he would welcome you as "One Love".

On December 8, 2024 at the tender age of 79, papa had ended the fight and went home to be with the lord. Once aging his faith in his God reminds us of *Corinthians 15:51* "Behold, I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed". And Papa you changed, you put on the immortal for the mortal and heaven rejoices for you. Rest in peace papa, as bad as it hurts to see you go, we know you're safe in the arms of Jesus because *Luke 23:43* states "truly I tell you today you shall be with me in paradise".

He leaves behind five children Devon Lewis, Marcia Lewis, Wayne Lewis, Jacqueline Lewis, Nadene Lewis, five grandchildren, Derrick Grate Jr., Joshua Lewis, Willow Jones, Kivel Jones Jr. and Madison Lewis. Two daughter-in-laws, Jennifer Lewis, Angela Lewis and a son-in-law Kivel Jones. He also left behind two brothers, Altymont Lewis and Felix Lewis, two sisters Lena Lewis, Girdalyn Lewis, a sister-in-law Annette Lewis, cousin George, and a host of nieces, nephews and other family members and friends. Garnett was predeceased by his parents and three siblings. Papa in life you loved but in death you live for a hero who never dies.

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