

*Celebration of Life
for
Harold Odom, Jr.*

Sunrise

April 12, 1948

Sunset

February 15, 2016



Service

Saturday, February 20, 2016 ~ 11:00 A.M.

Viewing: 9:00 A.M. ~ 11:00 A.M.

Union Baptist Church

24 Clinton C. Boone Street

Hempstead, NY 11550

Rev. Dr. Sedgwick Easley, Officiant



Life Reflection of Harold Odom, Jr.

Harold Odom Jr. was born on April 12, 1948 in Macon, GA to Harold Odom Sr. and the late Rosa Lee Celestine Odom.

He received his early education from Our Lady of Victory and graduated from George Westinghouse Vocational Technical High School in Brooklyn, NY. After graduation Harold started his career with the New York City Transit Authority (NYCTA) where he remained employed until he retired from after 43 years.

On July 30, 1972, Harold married the love of his life, Amy Diane Wilks. To this union two beautiful children were born: Kraigory Nathaniel and April Elizabeth.

Harold loved his loud music, dancing and partying with his friends and family. His favorite past-time however was spending time with his grandchildren; he loved them and they loved him back.

Harold was preceded in death by his son, Kraigory Nathaniel Odom Sr. and his mother Rosa Lee Celestine Odom.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife, Amy Diane Odom of West Hempstead, NY; his daughter, April Elizabeth Odom of Yorktown, VA; his father Harold Odom Sr. of Macon, GA; one sister, Sandra Acee (Willie) of Atlanta, GA; two brothers: Alfred Odom Sr. of Lawrenceville, GA and Dennis Odom; four grandchildren: Shanequa White, Kraigory Odom Jr., MyQueen and Amy Ward; one great-grandchild; two aunts; a special "brother" Yves Coupet of West Hempstead, NY as well as a host of niece, nephews, other relatives and friends to include the NYCTA-Lovina Barn family.

Sorrowfully Submitted, The Family



Memories

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun. Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional - Ministers, Clergy & Family

Final Viewing/Closing of the Bier, Claude J. Edney F. H. Staff

Hymn of Comfort ~ Blessed Assurance

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection of Faith

Poems, Family Tributes & Remarks ~ (2 Minute Limit Respectfully)

Acknowledgment of Cards & Resolutions

Reading of Life Refelction (Obituary)

Selection of Faith

Message of Faith (Eulogy) ~ Rev. Dr. Sedgwick Easley

Benediction/Recessional

INTERMENT

Greenfield Cemetery

650 Nassau Road

Uniondale, NY.

REPAST

Following the Interment, Family & Friends will be received at:

Knights of Columbus

954 Rockaway Ave

Valley Stream, NY 11581

To My Husband, My Best Friend

*When I was only 14 years old I met my best friend.
Who knew that 7 years later we would make a commitment that would never end.
Laughter, Joy, and Tears we did share,
When I needed a friend you were always right there.
Today, I sit alone now in the darkness of despair.
I cry my silent tears, My heart is broken into a million tiny pieces.
The silence is deafening to my ears.
The darkness frightens me, The shadows climb the wall
I hear footsteps walking, Passing through the hall.
The loneliness surrounds me, It takes my breath away,
This is the pattern of my life, Since that awful, dreadful day.
Without a clue, Without a hint, Of what was yet to be, God
called you home, To be with him, And took you away from me.
I walk, I talk. I carry on, When the sun pokes out its head
But when darkness falls, And evening comes, I cannot go to bed.
For this is when I miss you most of all, When I curl into a little ball
And cry those silent tears. Watching the shadows, And missing you today and always
Loving You Forever
Your Wife, Amy Diane Odom*

A Note of Thanks & Appreciation

The family wishes to extend our profound appreciation for every expression of kindness and love exhibited during our time of loss. A very special thanks to Zackary Wilks (nephew) for the caregiving support provided during Harold's illness. We thank you all and pray God's blessings upon you.

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