Homegoing Services for



Ernest T. Walker

Saturday, July 28, 2007
Wake: 10:00 A.M. Funeral: 10:30 A.M.

Taylor Funeral Home, Ltd. 63 East 79th Street • Chicago, Illinois

Reverend Roosevelt McGhee
Officiating

Obituary

Evnest T. Walker was born February 27, 1932 in Columbus, Georgia. Both of his parents died when he was five years old. His grandmother, Clara Shipp, and his aunts raised Ernest, his two brothers and sister.

Ernest accepted Christ at age seven and was baptized at the First African Baptist Church in Columbus, Georgia by the late Rev T. W. Smith. He graduated from Spencer High School in June 1950, and joined the U.S. Army. He was honorably discharged in 1953 and attended Albany College, Columbus Branch.

In June 1955, Ernest married his high school sweetheart, Eddie Kate Hood. To this union, was born five children: Chonita, Ernest, Michael, Alan, and Arlene. Two sons, Ernest and Alan, preceded him in death.

In 1956, he moved to Chicago. Ernest gained employment at the U.S. Post Office in August 1957, where he worked for 32 years until he retired in 1989.

Ernest joined Green Grove M.B. Church in 1961, where he was a member until his death. During his time at Green Grove, he was a member of the choir, superintendent of Sunday school, chairman of the trustee board, financial secretary, an ordained deacon, Sunday school teacher, and bible study teacher.

He leaves to cherish his memory, a devoted wife, Eddie Kate; his three children: Chonita Ditto of Roselle, Illinois, Michael Walker of Algonquin, Illinois, and Arlene Walker of Orlando, Florida; one brother, Willard Walker of Lansing, Michigan; one sister, Luella Cain of Atlanta, Georgia; one aunt, Hazel Byrd of Columbus, Georgia; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, two brothers-in-law, and a host of other family and friends.



Order of Service

Processional

Minister and Family

Scripture

Minister Rita Waller

Prayer

Reverend Bradley McBride

Selection

Green Grove Choir

Reading

Evelyn Washington

Solo Selection

Bernice Thies

Acknowledgment of Condolences

Willie Mae Chandler

Obituary

Read Silently

Resolution from Church

Evelyn Washington

Reflections

Arlene Walker - Family Deacon James Shell - Church

Jackie McNeal - Bible Study Class

Remarks

Two Minutes Please

Solo Selection

Eulogy

Reverend Roosevelt McGhee

Reviewal

Benediction/Recessional

~Interment~

Mt. Hope Cemetery

11500 South Fairfield

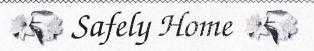
RepastImmediately following Interment

Green Grove Baptist Church 1049 West Marquette Road

Chicago, IL

Pallbearers

Alan Jarmaine Lewis Kevin Brooks Brian Ditto Tyrell Passmore Alan Dale Walker Willard Kirkland Walker



I am home in heaven, dear ones, oh, so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed;

I am now at peace forever, safely home in heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly trod the valley of the shade?

Oh! but Jesus' love illumined every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread;

And with Jesus' arm to lean on, could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, for I love you dearly still:

Try to look beyond earth's shadows, pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you, so you must not idly stand,

Do it now while life remaineth. You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you home.

Oh, the rapture of that meeting. Oh, the joy to see you come.

-Acknowledgement-

Our love, our thanks, our blessings to all who have offered their support to our family during our time of bereavement. Your visits, your calls, your cards, your thoughts, your prayers have helped to strengthen and encourage us.

The Family of Ernest T. Walker

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