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PALLBEARERS
BUFFALO POLICE RESERVE

"I'VE ONLY GONE TO REST A LITTLE WHILE"

FILL NOT YOUR HEART WITH PAIN AND SORROW.
BUT REMEMBER ME IN EVERY TOMORROW.
REMEMBER THE JOY, THE LAUGHTER, THE SMILES,
I'VE ONLY GONE TO REST A LITTLE WHILE.
ALTHOUGH MY LEAVING CAUSED PAIN A GRIEF
MY GOING HAS EASED MY HURT AND GIVING ME RELIEF.
SO DRY YOUR EYES AND REMEMBER ME,
NOT AS I AM NOW, BUT AS I USED TO BE.
BECAUSE I WILL REMEMBER YOU ALL
AND LOOK ON WITH A SIMILE,
UNDERSTAND IN YOUR HEARTS.
I'VE ONLY GONE TO REST A LITTLE WHILE.
AS LONG AS I HAVE THE LOVE OF EACH OF YOU
I CAN LIVE MY LIFE IN THE HEARTS OF ALL OF YOU.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

THE FAMILY OF THE LATE PAUL A. BONNER GRATEFULLY
ACKNOWLEDGES ALL ACTS OF KINDNESS AND
EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY SHOWN AND EXTENDED
DURING THIS TIME OF SORROW.
OBITUARY


PAUL WAS A LT. FOR THE BUFFALO POLICE RESERVE. HE OFFERED HIS TIME AS A RESERVIST DURING THE VARIETY CLUB TELETHON, SECURITY WHEN DIGNITARIES VISITED BUFFALO, SECURITY AT CARNIVALS, AND FUND RAISING FOR THOSE IN NEED. PAUL WAS ALWAYS WILLING TO GIVE A HAND. HIS NO NONSENSE ATTITUDE OFFERED ENCOURAGEMENT AND ENLIGHTENMENT TO THOSE AT RISK OF ERRING. PAUL WAS ACTIVE AS ALT. FOR THE B.P.R. UNTIL HIS HEALTH FORBADE. HIS POSITION AS LT. GAVE HIM A GREAT SENSE OF PRIDE.

HIS KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. PAUL'S KINDNESS ALSO REACHED MANY PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T KNOW HIM. HIS PARTICIPATION WITH THE B.P.R. OFFERED FOOD AND GIFTS TO THOSE IN NEED DURING HOLIDAY SEASONS. PAUL WAS LOVED BY MANY PEOPLE AND HE WILL BE MISSED DEARLY.

HE LEAVES TO MOURN TWO SONS: DAVID MILLER (RETIRED U.S.A.F.) AND DARREN BONNER
FIVE SISTERS: EDNA, GLADYS, MARY, ALICE, AND VIRGINIA. ONE BROTHER: JAMES
AND A VERY DEAR FRIEND: MELANIE EPPERSON.
A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS.

ORDER OF SERVICE

INVOCATION ............................................. PASTOR DENNIS LEE, JR.
SELECTION .................................................................................... CHOIR
SCRIPTURE
OLD TESTAMENT ................. PSALMS 23
NEW TESTAMENT ...... ST. JOHN 14:1-7
PRAYER
SELECTION .................................................................................... CHOIR
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONDOLENCES AND OBITUARY REMARKS (2 MINUTES) .................................... JOHN BONNER, JR. WALTER HALL RESERVISTS SOLO ............................................................. MRS. CYRIL ANN CLARK EULOGY ...................................................... PASTOR DENNIS LEE, JR.
RECESSIONAL PASTOR DENNIS LEE, JR.

AUSPICES
EXODUS GARDENS FUNERAL HOME
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BUFFALO, NEW YORK

INTERMENT:
CONCORDIA CEMETERY

DINNER WILL BE SERVED IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING TODAY'S SERVICES, URBAN STREET ENTRANCE. ALL ARE WELCOME.