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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for his name’s sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for
thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou prepares a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.
~Psalm 23~

I felt the light of heaven,
It was shining down on me;
I heard His voice, He called my name,
“My child, come follow Me;”
There is no pain, there is no hurt
nor sadness anywhere,
In heaven there is joy and love
and I’ll be waiting there;
For on the day I left this earth, I felt your many tears,
And now I watch you from above
and keep you very near;
It hurts to be apart from me, but be patient for the day,
When we meet again in love and peace
when you too come this way.

We entrusted the care of our loved one to:
Brian K. Lewis Funeral Home
347 Peckham St. · Buffalo, New York 14206
“To Serve This Present Age”
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Edward F. Milton, the eldest of three sons and 1 sister, was born on May 12, 1949 to the late Eula Mae and Edward Milton, Sr. in Buffalo, New York. He was a twin, but his brother died at birth.

Edward, affectionately known as “Butch” to everyone who loved him, attended Schools 4, 8 and 37. He graduated from McKinley High School, later attending Erie Community College and the University at Buffalo. In September of 1968, he married Brenda Powell; to this union 2 daughters were born. He later had 3 more children.

He had a career with Niagara Mohawk for 20 years. While growing up in the Fruitbelt, he co-founded the Elite Men's Clubhouse called “The Chessman” in Buffalo, New York and according to him, it was the BEST social club. Butch enjoyed football. He was a referee for the YMCA on East Ferry St. Youth Basketball & Football Teams, as well as the Men's Adult Team for over 20 years.

Butch was very instrumental in social and community activities and was known as the “life of the party.” He was a party guy, he could sleep anywhere, and I mean ANYWHERE!!

Butch was preceded in death by his wife, Brenda Milton; parents, Eula Mae and Edward Milton, Sr; sister, Willie Mae Lucky and brother, Gary Milton.

Edward F. Milton departed this life, but never our hearts on November 13, 2013. He leaves to cherish his memories his devoted children, Falisha Milton (Nashville, TN), Kimberly Milton (Dallas, TX), Daniel (Brandi) Smith (Hampton, Virginia), Sabrina Milton and Devonte Omare Grant (both of Buffalo, NY), brother, Rodney Milton; grandchildren, Jordan M. Milton, Dominic Huggins, Michael Holley, Jr., Brandon J. and Terrell J. Watson; great-grandchildren, Dnasia Huggins and Damiyah Higgins. He also leaves to mourn a host of other family and friends.

Acknowledgement
The family of the late Edward F. Milton “Butch” acknowledges with deep appreciation the comforting messages and many expressions of kindness evidenced at this time in thoughts and deeds.
~The Family~