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Homegoing Celebration for Dond L. Johnson



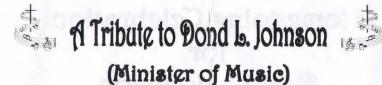
"Sunrise" April 12, 1963 "Sunset" January 13, 2015

Friday, January 23, 2015

12:00 noon

Bethel Tabernacle United Holy Church of America, Inc. 668 Clinton Street Buffalo, New York 14210

Elder Jeremiah Carter, Pastor Minister Vanessa Cook, Officiating



Dond L. Johnson, son of Mary Ann Johnson and William Johnson, was born April 12, 1963 in Boston, Massachusetts. He gently passed away Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at Roswell Park Cancer Institute.

Dond was raised in Cleveland, Ohio. He later moved to Buffalo, New York to attend College and graduated from the University of Buffalo.

Dond accepted Christ at an early age and started playing the piano in church. Dond loved playing music and worked for various churches in the Buffalo area as a minster of music. He continued his music ministry playing for various groups: Union, Marty Moore and the Voices of Marty, and accompanied many soloists. Many churches benefited from his gift of music including Lincoln Memorial, Bethel AME, Shiloh Baptist Church, and Bethel Tabernacle.

Dond had a unique sense of humor and his life touched many. He had his own way of expressing his opinions that left no one in doubt about how he felt. He loved to travel, going out to dinner, and church. Dond had a special love for his mother. He will be missed by his family and many friends.

Dond is survived by his parents, siblings, one son, and a host of family and friends.

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not meant to be So He put his arms around you and whispered, "Come to me" With tearful eyes we watched you and saw you pass away Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay A golden heart stopped beating, hard hands at rest God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes "The Best"



Prayer of Comfort......Rev. Gregory P. Nelson, Pastor DeLaine Waring, AME Church

Scripture H	Reading
Old Testament - Isaiah 40:28-31 New Testament – Revelation 21:4	
Praise & Worship	Bethel Tabernacle Praise Team
Reflections	Clergy
Song Selection	Mitchell McCleod
Reflections (2 minutes)	Family & Friends
Song Selection	Carol Milhouse
Acknowledgement of Cards	April Tompkins
Song Selection	
Obituary Reading	April Tompkins
Song Selection (Take Me To The Ki	ng)Jeannie Lumpkin
Words of Comfort	Pastor Jeremiah E. Carter
Committal	Pastor Jeremiah E. Carter
Closing Song (Goin' Up Yonder)	Congregation
Recessional	I'll Fly Away

I'm Free

Don't' grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path GOD laid for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I've savored much, Good friends, good times, loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, GOD wanted me now, He set me free. -Author Unknown

A Note of Gratitude

A special thank you to brother Darren for all the transporting, doctor visits and special love you offered in time of need.

A special thank you to Elder Jeremiah Carter and the Bethel Tabernacle Church family and Minister Robert Sharpe.

We thank everyone for all the heartfelt acts of kindness and expressions of love shown during this time of trials.

A final memorial service will be held Saturday, January 24, 2015 at 10am Greater Tabernacle – 9417 93rd St – Cleveland, Ohio 44105

> Arrangements Entrusted To Memory Memorial Services, Rochester, New York