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Pallbears

Tony Brown

Marco Smith

Robert Smith

Anthony Thompson

Anjohn Willett

Loren Wilson

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery 1411 Delaware Avenue Buffalo, NY 14209



Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home 995 Genesee Street Buffalo, NY 14211

Acknowledgement

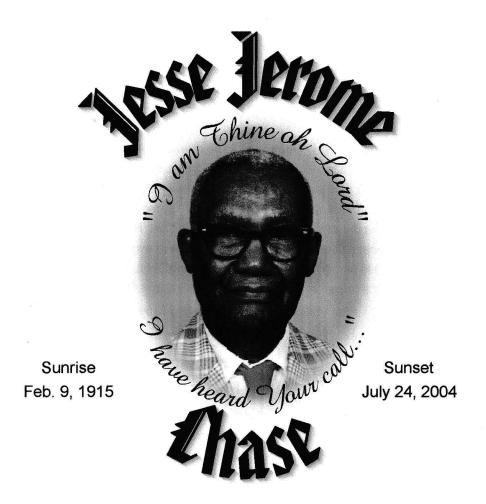
When it seemed that our loss was too great to bear, we looked up and our friends were there, with flowers and words, written and spoken, with faces smiling and hearts open. You comforted us and shared our grief, God will bless and keep you. Granting all relief, our gratitude cannot be adequately expressed with mere words, but they are the best that we have to offer in saying, "Thank you", for lifting the cloud and letting the sunshine through.

--The Family of Jesse Jerome Chase



Homegoing Celebration

of



Friday, July 30, 2004

Viewing: 11:00 am - 12:00 noon

Celebration: 12:00 noon

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

1525 Michigan Avenue

Buffalo, NY 14209

Reverend Richard Allen Stenhouse, Pastor

"My Life's Story"

On February 9, 1915, in St. Francisville, LA, God loaned David and Laura Chase a gift,

"Jesse Jerome Chase"

Brother Chase whose childhood friends affectionately called him by the nickname "Lovin", was baptized at Bethel AME Church - St. Francisville, LA. He received his education in the East Felician Parish School system.

On July 25, 1939, in New Orleans., LA, he married Hilda A. Riley. With this union they were gifted with two sons - J. Ronnie and Carl David. While a resident there he was a member of Union Bethel AME Church. In 1952 the family migrated to Buffalo, NY and in July of the same year he joined Bethel AME Church under the late Rev. Harry J. White, Sr. He was the founder of the New Jesse Chase Brotherhood Chorus and was its last surviving member. He served on the Male Usher Board, was a Sunday School Teacher and a former armor bearer for Pastor Grant G. Crumpley. At his time of death he was a Steward Emeritus.

Bro Chase, a 33rd Degree Mason continued to maintain his affiliation with Progressive Lodge #16 of New Orleans.

Jesse enjoyed music, photography and did extensive traveling. In his journey he was blessed to visit Hawaii, Africa and the Holy Land. He worked at Chevrolet Foundry Plant for 40 years. His last responsibility was as Facility Safety Inspector. He retired at the age of 71.

Bro Chase has joined his parent, two sisters - Hollie Herbert and Lucille Franklin and one brother - David Chase in eternal peace.

"Chase", as his family lovely called him, leaves to celebrate his life, his wife, Hilda Chase, two sons, J. Ronnie Chase of Phoenix, AZ, and Carl David Chase of Buffalo, NY - one granddaughter, Teran Nicole Chase of Phoenix, AZ - two brothers in law, David Riley and Arthur (Tearah) Riley, both of Buffalo, NY and a host of other relatives and friends.

Psalm 23

The Lord in my Shepherd

That is my Relationship!

Make yours Personal!

I shall not want

That is Supply!

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures

That is Rest!

He leadeth me beside the still waters

That is Guidance!

For His name sake

That is Purpose!

Yea!!, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death

That is Testing!

I will fear no evil

That is Protection!

For Thou art with me

That is Faithfulness!

Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me in the presence of mine enemies

That is Discipline!

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

That is Hope!

Thou anoinest my head with oil

That is Consecration!

My cup runneth over

That is Abundance!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever and ever.

That is Blessing!

Cherish your yesterdays, and dream your tomorrows.

Also remember that when it seems this is too much to bear, that you can find peace in all circumstances.

All you have to do is believe

Philipians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

Order of Service

Prelude

Opening Sentences Rev. Annie P. Wilson
Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Prayer of Comfort Rev. Annie P. Wilson
Scripture Old Testament Psalms 23 New Testament John 14:7-11
Selection"I Am Thine Oh Lord"
Resolution
Expressions
Acknowledgements
Obituary Read Silently "May the Work I've Done Speak For Me"
Solo Kathleen Carswell Washington
Eulogy Rev. Beverly J. Abram
Recessional "I'll Fly Away"

"May the Work I've Done Speak for Me"

May the work I've done speak for me,
May the work I've done speak for me,
When I'm resting in my grave,
there is nothing that can be said,
May the work I've done speak for me.

May the life I live speak for me,
May the life I live speak for me,
When the best I try to live,
my mistakes He will forgive,
May the life I live speak for me.

May the serv'ce I give speak for me, May the serv'ce I give speak for me, When I've done the best I can and my friends don't understand, May the serv'ce I give speak for me.

May the work I've done
it seems so small,
Sometimes it seems like,
seems like nothing at all,
But when I stand before my God,
I want to hear Him say, "Well done",
May the work I've done speak for me.