

SERVICE OF EXODUS

for

SAMUEL COOPER

1903 - 1983



THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1983 - 1:00 P.M.

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

Buffalo, New York

The Rev. Eugene E. McAshan, Pastor

-OBITUARY-

Samuel Cooper

On May 3, 1903 A.D., Samuel Cooper was born to the parentage of the late Mr. & Mrs. Willie Cooper in Troy, Alabama. Being reared in a Christian environment, he accepted Christ at an early age. His first marriage was to the late Beatrice McKeynold; they were blessed with the birth of three children whom they named Carrie Alfrieda, Minnie Beatrice (preceeded him in death), and Samuel Junior.

For livelihood, Samuel migrated to Buffalo where he united with Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church under the pastorate of the late Rev. G.G. Crumpley in 1966. He married Robbie M. Williams in 1966. They lived faithfully together and remained active members of Bethel until his departure on Sunday, August 7, 1983 at 1:30 a.m.

After serving forty-five years as a Pullman Porter in charge for the New York Central Railroad Company, he retired. He was a member of the Alfred D. Price Senior Citizen Center where he made many friends. It seemed to be a joy to him just to be able to help others.

He is survived by his loving wife, Robbie; a daughter, Carrie Alfrieda Norman; 7 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; 1 great, great grandchild; 1 brother-in-law, Philson N. Lee; 2 sisters-in-law, Margaret E. Freeman and Ophelia A. Nicholas; and many friends.

SERVICE ORDER

Prelude Organ Medley
Processional
Congregational Hymn No. 32
"Nearer My God To Thee"
Prayer
Choral Response "Hush, Hush, My Soul"
Selection "Precious Lord"
The Choir
Old Testament Reading Psalm 90
New Testament Reading St. John 14
Solo Mr. Henry Nance
Remarks *Through it all*
Acknowledgements
Obituary Mrs. Carolyn B. Thomas
Congregational Song
"Give Me That Olde Time Religion"
Eulogy Rev. Eugene E. McAshan
Solo Mr. Madison Flood
The Funeral *Peace in the Valley*
Interment
Benediction

FOOTPRINTS

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child, I love you and I would never leave you." During your times of trial and suffering, when you saw only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Author Unknown

May God Bless you.

From the family

PALLBEARERS

Richard McGrue
Samuel Walker
George Hill

Raymond Walton
Vernon Taylor
Eugene Peeples

INTERMENT

Forest Lawn Cemetery

H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, In Charge

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family wishes to express their gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during their time of sorrow.