

Celebrating the Life of



Leroy Paul Hill

November 7, 1960 – February 24, 2022



Life History

Leroy Paul Hill was born in November 1960 in West Chester, PA. He attended Coatesville Area Public Schools. He abided by the code of servanthood during most of his life. He earned his living by helping any willing and who would ask with yard care in the warmer months and snow removal in the winter. He was considered trustworthy and kind by those who knew him. His pastime was singing; he was easily encouraged to entertain a willing audience. He was also an excellent dancer.

Of great significance to Leroy was family. He actively sought out Hill and Matthews family members to learn their stories and make their acquaintances. His phones were often loaded with pictures of individuals and groups of all ages and walks of life. His innate curiosity about and interest in family extended

to people in general. He welcomed the acquaintance of all he encountered and championed inclusion before the concept became popular.

Leroy passed away on February 24, 2022 at age 61. He was preceded in death by his biological parents: Eugene Wilson and Margaret 'Peggy' Hill of West Chester, PA; biological siblings: Claude the Campbell of Chester, PA; Mary Madeline Hill of West Chester, PA; Earl Wayne Dickerson of Avondale, PA; and Eugene Wilson Hill of Los Angeles, CA; his foster parents: Charles Augustus and Bernice Pinnick Matthews; and a foster sister: Charlotte Matthews Spriggs of Hartford, CT.

Leroy is survived by two daughters: Jessica Hill Wiley of Steelton, PA and Shania Winkey Hill of Coatesville, PA; an aunt: Betty Ringgold of West Chester, PA; three biological sisters: Doris McKim Hill of Brookhaven, PA, Gloria Jean Luckett of Harvey, IL, and Frances Hill Lawson (Gregory) of Darby, PA; a foster brother: Charles Timothy Matthews, Sr. (Jennifer); a foster sister and biological niece: NormaJean Hill Zarecki (Michael); and several grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Sorrowfully Submitted,
The Family



Order of Service

Officiating Clergy *Min. Vee Graham*

Processional *Clergy & Family*

Opening Hymn *"How Great Thou Art"*

Scripture Readings

Old Testament *Psalms 23*

New Testament *Romans 8:31-39*

Prayer of Comfort

Acknowledgements, Cards

& Obituary Reading *Jessica London*

Family Reflections (2 minutes) *Family & Friends*

Ministerial Remarks

Solo *Cheri Coleman*

Eulogy *Rev. Dr. James L. Smith*

Closing Song *"It's so Hard to say Goodbye to Yesterday"*

Recessional Directives *Ventnor T. Wright, Funeral Director*

Benediction

Recessional *Clergy and Family*

No Tears in Heaven

There are no tears in heaven
Nor grief of any kind,
I leave this final teardrop
for those I've left behind;
Though absent from the body,
I'm present with the Lord;
The joy of my salvation
Is now my full reward;
And just as God has promised,
He's wiped my tears away,
And nothing can compare
To the wonder of that day;
So, keep me in your memory
And know that up above,
There are no tears in heaven,
Instead, there's only love.

Poem by Alda Maria Dickson

A Note of Thanks

Thank you kindly for your care, support and concern shown to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless you.

Sincerely, The Family



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