



God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you were getting weary
So he did what he thought was best.
He came and stood beside you
And whispered come and rest.
You gave no one a last farewell
Not even a goodbye.
You were gone before we even knew it
And only God knows why. —

Helen Steiner Rice

~
Pall Bearers

Gregory Archie
Jamil Butler
Darrell Holmes
Damon McArthur
Daniel McArthur
Timothy McArthur
Keith Randolph
Robert Randolph

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Acknowledgements

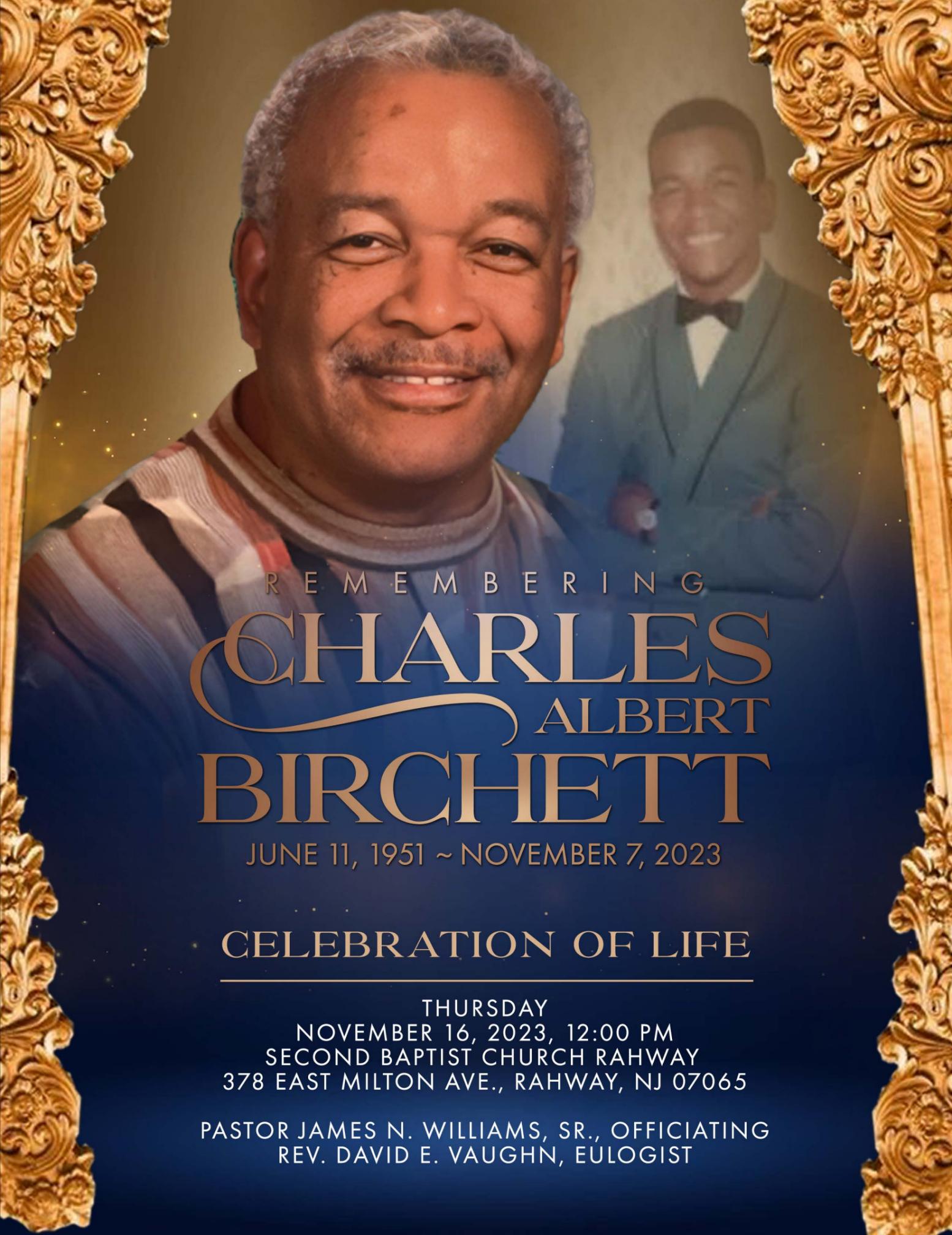
The Birchett Family
wishes to acknowledge with deepest appreciation, your outpouring of love, support, calls,
and cards. Your support has raised our spirits and helped us
in the midst of all of it. We know God already knew the time of day and hour
that would bring us through this time of bereavement.
We thank our heavenly Father above for showering
his blessings upon each of us.

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Condolences to Charles' wife may be mailed to:
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REMEMBERING
**CHARLES
ALBERT
BIRCHETT**

JUNE 11, 1951 ~ NOVEMBER 7, 2023

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 16, 2023, 12:00 PM
SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH RAHWAY
378 EAST MILTON AVE., RAHWAY, NJ 07065

PASTOR JAMES N. WILLIAMS, SR., OFFICIATING
REV. DAVID E. VAUGHN, EULOGIST

HIS STORY

Charles Albert Birchett was born on June 11, 1951 in Jersey City, NJ, the third of four children of the late Joseph and Annie Thompson Birchett. He grew up in Cranford, NJ where he attended public school from kindergarten through high school. His early life was full of visits to and from his large extended family, as well as family vacations and reunions.

Charles and his family were faithful members of Cranford United Methodist Church, and he regularly attended Sunday School and Youth Group. He was blessed to grow up in a loving, supportive home with hard-working parents who constantly modeled kindness, love, faith in God, and respect of self and others.

Charles was a proud graduate of Cranford High School, class of 1969. He was a star athlete during his high school years. He was a strong wide receiver on the football team, a member of the wrestling team, and in track, he set a high school record for the low hurdles. He loved his high school and his friends, as evidenced by his attendance at every high school reunion.

After high school, Charles attended vocational school, and became a highly skilled electrician. He took great pride in his work and was always eager to share his knowledge and talent with anyone who asked or needed help. His first professional job as an electrician was with Exxon in Linden, NJ where his father also worked at the time. After working at Exxon for 26 years, he worked part time for Fed Ex, then spent his final years of employment as an electrician at Merck & Company Inc. in Rahway, NJ.

Charles's greatest joys were his two children, Kenisha and Sean whom he loved dearly. He surrounded them with a nurturing environment of unconditional love and was so very proud of their accomplishments.

Charles met his wife of thirty years, Barbara Mornings Jacobs, while they were both working at FedEx. Theirs was a marriage of much love, joy and laughter as they both had an outspoken sense of humor, especially towards each other. They enjoyed traveling together near and far, and it was only their declining health that prevented them from continuing their adventures together. They loved spending time and laughing with their family, particularly their children and grandchildren.

In adulthood, Charles took up golfing. As with his high school sports, he excelled at the game and became an avid golfer.

Charles and Barbara were faithful, well-loved members of Second Baptist Church for many years.

Charles is predeceased by his parents, a brother Joseph Jr, and a sister Phyllis Birchett. He is survived by his beloved wife Barbara of PA, a daughter Kenisha Birchett of NJ, a son Sean Birchett of NJ, a sister Eileen McArthur of PA, a brother-in-law Douglas McArthur of PA, three stepsons Sam Jacobs, Jr of PA, Aaron Jacobs of NJ, Nate Jacobs of PA, sister and brother Evelyn and Julius Cooper of NJ. 19 grandchildren, 1 great-grandson and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

His kind presence will be sorely missed.

ORDER OF SERVICE

OFFICIANT
PASTOR JAMES N. WILLIAMS, SR.,
WELLS CATHEDRAL COGIC

Musical Prelude.....Organist

Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Peter Austin

Hymn of Comfort....." Amazing Grace"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament – Psalm 23.....Rev. Dollie S. Scott-Bey

New Testament – John 14:1-6.....Sis. Danyette Randolph

Musical Selection.....The Wells Cathedral Praise Team

Reflections of Life

Percy Avery, Cranford High School Class of 1969 Designee
The Family -

Rev. Douglas McArthur-Brother-in-law
Sam Jacobs, Jr.-Stepson
Kenisha and Sean Birchett -Children

Reading of Obituary and Acknowledgements.....Evangelist Edna Murphy

Sermonic Selection.....The Wells Cathedral Praise Team

Eulogy.....Rev. David E. Vaughn, Interim Pastor

Recessional

Interment
Forest Lawn Cemetery
Iselin, NJ

Please join the family for repast following the burial.

