

**A Time of Remembrance  
Celebrating the Life of  
*Mr. Thomas Levon Cates***

**August 20, 1955 - May 17, 2020**

**Saturday, May 30, 2020**

**2:00 pm**

**Chairman: Bob Broomer**

**Order of Service**

<b>Reading of Obituary</b>	<b>Bob Broomer</b>
<b>Memorial Discourse</b>	<b>Josh Broomer</b>
<b>Song # 139</b>	<b>See yourself when all is new (Revelation 21: 1-5)</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Bob Broomer</b>

**THANK YOU**

**The Family wishes to express their deepest gratitude for the loving support extended to them by everyone the many prayers an kind expressions visits, phone calls, and acts of kindness , the expressions of care and concern warms ours hearts and has helped us through this difficult time .**



**Thomas Levon Cates** was born on August 20th 1955 to Thomas J. Cates and Catherine R. Cates in Durham N.C.

He graduated from Durham High in 1972 and also attended Durham Tech he also owned his own Cleaning business until his retirement in 1998. On July 9th 1988 he married the love of his life Lillie P. King .

In 1979 he studied the Bible with Jehovah's Witnesses then he Dedicated his life and got Baptized on February 21st 1981. Thomas was a very active participant in many aspects of the Christian Ministry. On June 26th 2000 he was appointed a Ministerial Servant in the Congregation . One of his greatest joys was helping all he could to come to know an worship Jehovah the God he loved .

He had a good heart and loved to talk to anyone that would listen (to his funny jokes an riddles). Thomas was greatly loved and will be missed .

On Sunday May 17th 2020 Thomas passed away in his home at 2000 Paisley Drive . He leaves to cherish his memory his dear wife Lillie Cates of 32 years ; 1 Daughter Phylenda McLeod (Brondell McLeod) ; 1 Brother Angelo Cates ; 5 Sisters; Cynthia Bailey ; Mary Mayes ; Hattie Hunter ; Teresa Cates ; Bonita Nicholson ; Christine Medaline Farrington and 1 Grand Daughter Jasmine McLeod and a host of nieces , nephews and other relatives , and friends.

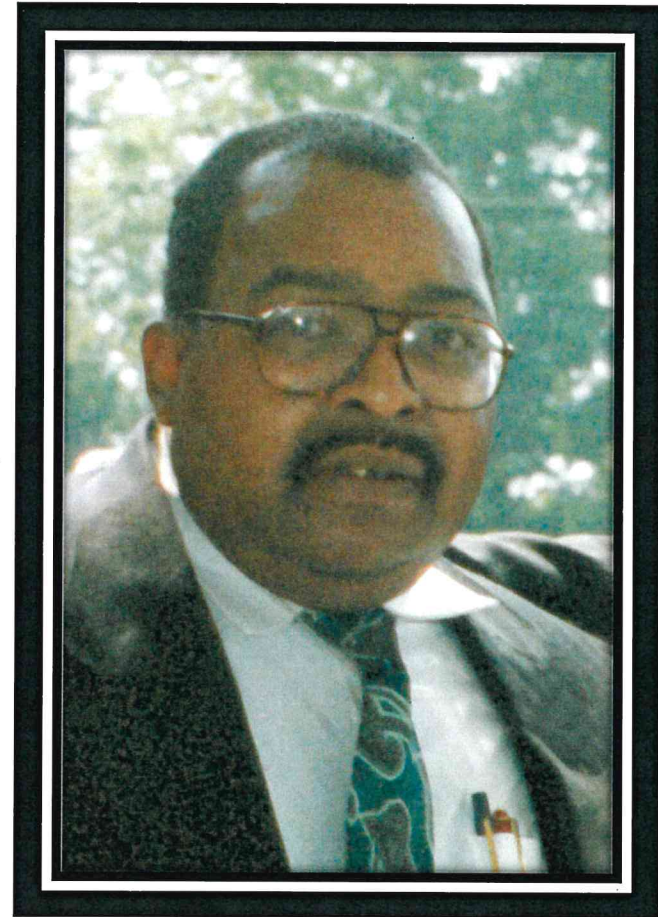
*God hath not promised  
Skies always blue,  
Flower-strewn pathways  
All our lives through;  
God hath not promised  
Sun without rain,  
Joy without sorrow,  
Peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised  
Strength for the day,  
Rest for the labor,  
Light for the way,  
Grace for the trials,  
Help from above,  
Unfailing sympathy,  
Undying love.*

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