

"Broken Chain"

We little knew the day that
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories.
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you
You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken
and nothing seems the same,
but as God calls us one by one
the chain will link again.

-Ron Tranmer

Acknowledgements

The family of Franklin Lee Aiken Sr. wish to express our profound thanks
and appreciation to everyone who has extended their support
and offered acts of kindness during our time of bereavement.
The Lord bless you continually for your prayers, thoughtfulness and concern.

- The Family

In Loving Memory
of

Franklin Lee Aiken Sr.

Alpha

November 10, 1957

Omega

August 26, 2018



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*Saturday, September 8, 2018
10:00 am*

*First Timothy Baptist Church
215 Chancellor Ave.
Newark, NJ 07112*

*Rev. Andre L. Coffee, Pastor
Evang. Annie Ruth Wright, Officiating
Rev. Kyle Abercrombie, Presiding*

Order of Service

Prelude	Organist
Processional	Clergy & Family
Parting View	
Prayer Of Comfort	Dea. Robert Lewis
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament	Evang. Debra Ferguson
New Testament	Min. Eldridge Brown
Special Praise Dance Presentation	
<i>“Something About The Name Jesus”</i>	
<i>Under The Direction Of Sister Bonita Ruth</i>	
Reflections	Friends and Family (2mins please)
Solo	Evang. Jackie Ruffin
Acknowledgements & Obituary	Alana Moses
Solo	Evang. Veronica Ingram
Eulogy	Evang. Annie Ruth Wright
Invitation Of Discipleship	Evang. Annie Ruth Wright
Recessional	<i>“Dance With My Father”</i>



Service of Committal

Fairmount Crematory
Newark, New Jersey

Repass immediately following the service of committal
in the fellowship hall of the church.

Obituary

Franklin Lee Aiken Sr. affectionately known as “Lee” to family and friends, was born to Juanita Aiken-Williams and the late Eli Ford in Walterboro, South Carolina. Franklin began his education in the Collenton County school system in South Carolina before relocating to Newark, NJ at the age of 9. Franklin continued his education in the Newark public school system and graduated from South Side High School (Malcolm X Shabazz) in 1975. Lee was an excellent basketball player, earning him and his team a championship. Franklin also attended and graduated from Berkeley College.

Franklin married Janet Wimberly on May 1, 1982. From this union came four children: Mylika, Omar, Franklin Jr. and Juanita. They were married for 24 years. Franklin remarried in 2008 to Nancy Yates.

Lee understood his purpose for his life was to protect and serve people. He dedicated over 35 years in the field of Armed Security. Lee held several positions at many companies working as an Armed Security Guard for Perry Protective Services for Club 88, Undercover Quality Control Agent for NJ Transit, Blind Security as Chief of Operations, East Orange Housing Authority, Nielsen Security, New Community Housing, and Gateway Security. Lee took pride in working for Nippy Incorporated as an armed bodyguard for the late Whitney Houston for 10 years before starting to have serious health issues. Franklin worked for Sterling Security as Head Supervisor before declining health issues forced early retirement. He was a Very Hardworking man!

Lee love for helping others was seen throughout his life. He was always willing to lend a helping hand. He was a family man. He loved his family but his children were his pride and joy. Lee had strong family values. His number one value that he taught and exemplified was Family Sticks Together, No Matter What!

Lee was a God-fearing man. He attended First Timothy Baptist Church since the 1960s under the leadership of the late Reverend David Lee and the late Reverend James L. Batts Sr. In recent years, Lee may not have attended church services regularly, but he did have a relationship with God. His favorite gospel song was “Something About the Name of Jesus.”

Lee exemplified true leadership as a father, husband, son, brother, friend and mentor and he taught and showed his children and many others how to be a leader. Lee was a fighter and he fought a good fight until God called him home. We will miss Franklin Lee Aiken Sr. but his legacy shall live on through his children, grandchildren, and all those who lives he touched.

His daughter Shopane Lee Knights and grandson Alquan Aiken preceded Franklin in death.

Franklin leaves to cherish his memories his parents, James and Juanita Williams; his children: Mylika (Jermaine), Omar (Kieosha), Ayesha, Franklin Jr., Juanita (Gramanuel), and Alnisa; his sisters: Jacqueline, Mona, Tovia, Renee, Monique, Tasha, Tawanda, and Tamika; his brothers: Rodrick, James Jr. (Daivon), and Eli Jr.; his grandchildren: Shawn, Justin, Chantell, Yasmear, Kayla, Dzire, Saniya, Jermaine Jr., Christopher, Jada, Raquel, Xavier, Genesis, Gramanuel Jr., Karae, Khamani, and Ahmod; one god-son Brandon Tucker; one god-daughter Eianna Nobles; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. “To know him was to Love him!”