

Repast

The New Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ  
Fellowship Hall  
285 Dixwell Ave, New Haven, CT 06511  
12:30 P.M.



Acknowledgments

The family wishes to express appreciation for the many kind deeds  
and comforting expressions of sympathy offered during their hours  
of bereavement.



Selection

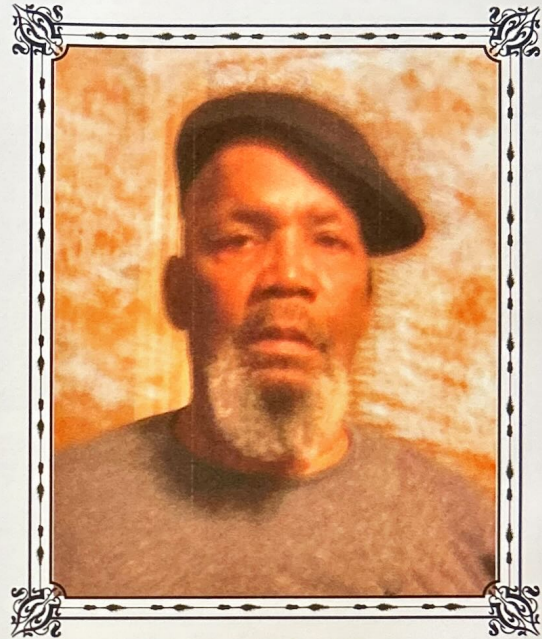
*“We’ve Come This Far By Faith”*

*We’ve come this far- by faith,  
Leaning on the Lord.  
Trusting in his holy word.  
He’s never failed us yet.  
Oh, oh- oh- can’t turn around,  
We’ve come this far by faith.*



Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:  
Colonial Funeral Home  
86 Circular Ave, Hamden, CT 06514

HOMEGOING SERVICE



**Marvin Louis Edwards**

Sunrise February 10, 1952

Sunset October 16, 2025

**Saturday November 1, 2025  
10:00 A.M.**

Colonial Funeral Home  
86 Circular Ave, Hamden, CT 06514  
Officiant Elder Patricia Parks-Taylor

## Order of Service



Processional	
Selection	“We’ve Come This Far By Faith” Congregation
Scripture:	Pastor Diane Langford
Old Testament:	Psalms 23:1-6
New Testament:	Timothy 2:4-7
Prayer of Comfort	
Poem	Amira Simms
Reflections	(Limit 2 minutes)
Acknowledgements	Monica Joyner
Obituary	(Read silently)
Solo	Monica Joyner
Eulogy	Elder Patricia Parks-Taylor
Recessional	



## Obituary

Marvin Louis Edwards was born on February 10, 1952, and departed this life on October 16, 2025.

Marvin attended James Hillhouse High School before moving to Roselle, New Jersey, where he completed his education. He later worked for the General Motors Corporation for over 20 years, until a workplace injury led to his retirement.

Marvin will be remembered for his easy going nature, quick wit, and strong work ethic. He had a deep love for his family and took pride in helping to provide for them from a young age. As a child, he worked at a neighborhood corner store stocking shelves and bagging groceries, shined shoes at the Hotel Taft, and served as a golf caddy — all to help put food on the table after his parents’ separation. Always responsible, Marvin often cooked breakfast for his siblings while his mother got the younger children ready for school — and even introduced her, to her future husband, John Vines.

Marvin approached life with determination and intelligence. Whether he was working hard at General Motors or relaxing at Sport Haven, he gave his all. He had a brilliant mathematical mind, enjoyed reading multiple newspapers, and stayed informed about world events. Marvin had a passion for chess and pool — a skilled player who viewed each shot in geometric precision. He played competitively for years, often teaming up with his sister Deborah.

As a father, Marvin was supportive, both financially and emotionally —not only to his children but also to relatives in need. Known for his hearty appetite and love of good food, he was affectionately nicknamed “Hoggie” or “Hogmouth.” Marvin had a low keyed personality and a great sense of humor; his kindness, humor, and steadfast love will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew him.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Barbara; his father, Levy Edwards; his mother, Ruby Vines; his stepfather, John Vines Jr.; his sister, Sabrina Jenkins; and his brother, Lonnie Edwards. Left to cherish his memory are his children: Al-Khaliq Edwards (Antwana) of Stone Mountain, GA; Amira Sims of Ocala, FL; Marvin Edwards Jr. (Pia) of Sicklerville, NJ; and his stepdaughter, Vanisha Perkins of New Haven, CT. He is also survived by his sisters, Inera Parks-Ladson (Joey), Alease Edwards (Wes), Deborah Jones, and Shirley Brinkley (Johnny); brothers, Brandon Edwards and Calvin Edwards of North Carolina; stepbrother, Johnny Vines; eleven grandchildren; a dear friend, Nanette Masey; and his beloved companion of 20 years, Renee Estelle, along with a host of family and friends.