A limb has fallen from the family tree
I hear a voice that whispers, 'Grieve not for me'
Remember the best times, the laughter, the songs
The good I lived while I was strong
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you
Keep on smiling, the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest
Remembering all...how I was truly blessed
Continue traditions, no matter how small
Go on with your lives, don't stare at the wall
I miss you all dearly so keep up your chin
Until that fine day we're together again.

Acknowledgment

With grateful hearts the Diggs family thanks all those who provided support, shared condolence messages, prayers and acts of kindness rendered during our time of sorrow. We appreciate your love offerings more than words can express.

Special Thanks to nieces Cynthia Fernandez and Lori Thames for their love, unselfish acts of kindness and care over the years.

A special thank you to home health aide Magalee, the care teams of Colony Rehab Center of Abington, and Hospice Service of Massachusetts; your care, compassion and service was deeply felt.

In Loving Memory of

James O. Diggs, Jr.

Sunrise — *Sunset*

January 31, 1930 † *April 21, 2023*



Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 12 PM

DAVIS FUNERAL HOME

89 Walnut, Roxbury, Massachusetts

Min. Nicole E. Fernandez, UFPC, MN, Officiating

Life Reflections

James O. Diggs Jr. Beloved Son, Brother, Uncle and Friend was born in Boston Massachusetts on January 31, 1930, to the loving union of James O. Diggs Sr. and Gladys E. (Victor) Diggs.

James attended and was a lifelong member of St. Augustine and St. Martin Church in Roxbury, MA which was his grandmother's church. Jimmy, as his family and friends called him, grew up in a loving, nurturing home with his mother, father, sister, and brother. A home filled with a bond and closeness that emanated love, joy, and laughter. In his formative years he attended English High School and sometime after graduating entered the United States Army where he served his country with reverence and dedication. Upon returning home James' leadership qualities and dedication to hard work garnered him management positions with leading retailers such as W.T. Grants, J.M. Fields, and Kmart until his retirement.

James lovingly and fondly called Uncle Jimmy was a devoted son, dedicated brother, and loving uncle. As a son and brother, he prioritized his family's needs over his own and provided endless love, support, and care whenever it was needed. Uncle Jimmy loved music, cars, and enjoyed making a great salad and he was known for making his special dish lasagna. Like his father, he wanted to enjoy a bowl of vanilla ice cream every day. He had a quiet, observant personality and a dry sense of humor. "Uncle Jimmy" had a knack for offering an uplifting word that was lighthearted and would end with laughter in your soul. Uncle Jimmy had a quick wit and wisdom that was delivered with ease.

God in His Love and Mercy called James, Uncle Jimmy home with his sister June at his side, hand in hand, with peace in his heart and a smile on his face on April 21, 2023.

James is proceeded in death by his father James O. Diggs {1995}, mother Gladys E. (Victor) Diggs {1999}, brother Gerald O. Diggs {2000}. James leaves to cherish his memory his sister June L. Diggs of Weymouth, MA, niece, Nicole Fernandez of Minnesota, nephew Rory Diggs of Virginia and niece Maleka Little of Virginia and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Order of Service

Entry Song	*"Somewhere over the Rainbow"*	
Welcome		Min. Nicole Fernandez
Invocation		Father John R. Clarke
Scripture Reading		Monique (Frye) Prater
Old	Deuteronomy 33:27	
New	Psalm 73:26	
Solo	*"Amazing Grace"*	
Remarks		Dennis Lloyd Cynthia "Cindee" Fernandez Justice Randolph Lori Thames
Acknowledgements		Marlene Frye
Obituary		Jazzmin Brooks
Solo	*"Eye on the Sparrow"*	
Eulogy		Min. Nicole Fernandez
Benediction		Father John R. Clarke
Organ Prelude		

Internment

Immediate Family
Forest Hills Cemetery
95 Forest Hills Ave., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130