

Don't Cry For Me

by Toni Greene

On this day
I left my heart with you
As my soul went high
I ask you now
Please don't cry
My work here is done
But this isn't goodbye

Carry my love with you
Remember that I'll be there always
Watching you live from a distance
Let it help you through the hard days
When you feel you can't make it through
Don't cry for me
Know I'll never leave you

I saw the light
As the gate opened for me
I was greeted by the ones
I've been waiting to see
I'm as happy as I could ever be
So I ask again
Please don't cry for me

A Note of Thanks

The family of Deacon John Greene acknowledges with sincere thanks, gratitude and appreciation all the acts and expressions of kindness and comfort during the passing of our loved one.

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:
LEE'S FUNERAL HOME, LLC
160 Fisher Avenue
White Plains, New York 10606



Celebration of Life



Deacon John Greene

Sunrise
August 24, 1929

Sunset
May 22, 2018

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018 - 11:00AM

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
1 FISHER COURT
WHITE PLAINS, NEW YORK 10601**

REVEREND DR. EDWARD O. WILLIAMSON, OFFICIATING

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE	<i>Brother Tommy Moore</i>
CONGREGATIONAL HYMN	<i>#248 - "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"</i>
SCRIPTURE READINGS	
Old Testament	<i>Deacon Dewitt Smith Psalm 23</i>
New Testament	<i>Deacon Caleb Lawrence John 14:1-6</i>
PRAYER OF COMFORT	<i>Deacon Richard Jackson</i>
EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY	<i>Sister Barbara High</i>
	OBITUARY
SELECTION	<i>Male Chorus</i>
TRIBUTE	<i>Onja Overby</i>
SOLO	<i>Brother Tommy Moore</i>
EULOGY	<i>Rev. Dr. Edward O. Williamson</i>
RECESSIONAL	<i>#432 - "I'll Fly Away"</i>



Obituary

Deacon John "Johnny" Greene passed away peacefully on May 22, 2018. He was born on August 24, 1929 to the late George and Virginia Green in Sheldon, South Carolina in Beaufort County. At nine months old, he was adopted by Henry and Beatrice Lockwood. He often told stories about how proud he was that his father, Henry Lockwood, was "the A-1 carpenter in all of Beaufort County."

Deacon John was educated in Sheldon, South Carolina and upon graduation, he joined the U.S. Navy. After serving in the Navy for one year, he relocated to White Plains, NY, where he lived with his Uncle Andrew. He met and married his beloved wife of 65 years, Christine Robinson. From this union, six children were born. John was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1951 during the Korean War and was honorably discharged after serving two years. Upon returning to New York, he joined Bethel Baptist Church and was ordained as a deacon on December 7, 1966 under Rev. Thomas H. Slater. He served as Chairman of the Deacon Ministries for a number of years and was one of the original members of Prayer Meeting & Bible Study where he was instrumental in keeping the meetings going until he became ill. He was also a member of the Senior Usher Board, the Chancel Choir and the Male Chorus, which he loved directing. He was a faithful servant who rarely missed Sunday service.

His love for fashion stood out to all who knew him.

John was employed by White Plains Hospital, Grasslands Hospital, Larson Ford and General Motors, from which he retired in March of 1993. During his retirement, he loved watching baseball (preferably the New York Mets), football, boxing, Westerns, *The Andy Griffith Show* and *M*A*S*H* on television as well as reading the Bible. When he became too ill to attend church, he would watch *The Jimmy Swaggart Telecast* from morning until bedtime.

He leaves to cherish his memory his daughters Shirley Johnson (Matthew), Joan Cynthia Greene and Virginia Lindsay; his son John E. Greene; his granddaughters Onja Overby (Micah), Dornella Johnson and Janae Walker; his grandson Corey Lindsay; his great-granddaughter Toni Greene; his great-grandson, Matthew Perez; and his sister, Ruby Green (Louis).

Deacon John was predeceased by his parents; his wife, Christine; his daughters Ruby Melissa and Margaret; his brothers Nehemiah, Ashley, George, Alfred, Herbert, Edward and Mathew (Sam); his sisters Bertha and Thelma; and his son-in-law, Matthew Johnson.