

Pallbearers Friends of the Family

Flower Attendants Friends of the Family

For all the kindness you have shown We thank you very much; For sympathy on sorrowing days, For friendship's healing touch. With gratitude our hearts are full, Though words cannot convey The tender thoughts and thankfulness We hold for you today.

Acknowledgement

It is in times like these when we need friends like you who have shared your telephone calls, prayers, visits and other acts of kindness with us during our darkest hours. We pray that you will be more than blessed because you demonstrated your love and Christianity with us. You will hear from the family in a more personal way at a later date

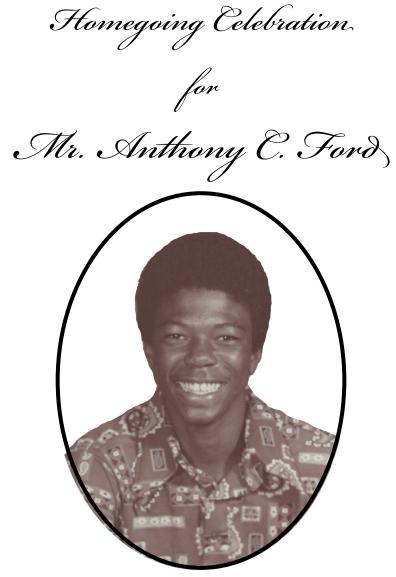
Sunrise February 17, 1959

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"The Family that Cares for Your Family; a Ministry of Comfort"

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"Hub Cap"

Sunset January 14, 2017

Saturday - January 21, 2017 - 11:00 A.M.

**Buggs-Bellamy Memorial Chapel** 2936 Jerry Lane Jacksonville, Florida 32218

Pastor R. E. Herring, Sr., Eulogist Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church Jacksonville, Florida 32208

> Interment Restlawn Cemetery **Ribault Scenic Drive** Jacksonville , FL 32208

A Life of Service

Mr. Anthony Craig Ford was born February 17, 1959, in Jacksonville, Florida, to Georgia Mae Bryant and Bernard Ford, one of three children. He was reared in a loving home, and was baptized as a child in First Corinth Baptist Church, where the family worshiped. Anthony, who was called "Hub Cap" by his friends, attended the local public schools and graduated from William M. Raines High School, Class of 1977. During his senior high years, he played with the Raines Vikings football team.

Upon graduation, Anthony enlisted in the United States Army. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Stephanie Pfister, and they settled in New Jersey with their four children. After many years in New Jersey, Anthony returned to Jacksonville in 2012. He was always a lover of sports, but his favorite pastime was fishing, and he enjoyed eating whatever he was fortunate to catch that day.

On January 14, 2017, after an extended illness, Anthony C. Ford bade this world farewell, and made the journey to his eternal home. He was preceded in death by his wife, Stephanie Pfister Ford; mother, Mrs. Georgia Mae Hightower; father, Mr. Bernard Ford; grandfather, Mr. Walter George Bryant; and great-grandmother, Mrs. Mary H. English.

Anthony is survived by his four children, Muriel Ford, Jonathan Ford, Tiffany Jackson, and Kevin Ford, all of *Colorado Springs, CO; one son-in-law; seven grandchildren;* loving grandmother, Mrs. Bernice Duhart; siblings, Sharon Denise Bryant and Kevin Vance Bryant, Atlanta, GA; like a father, Mr. Wallace Anderson and family; five great aunts, Mrs. Williene Bryant Briedlove, Cordele, GA, Mrs. Ovita Thornton (Willie), Athens, GA, Mrs. Eva Spivey, Mrs. Bernice Brown and Mrs. Frankie Parker, all of Philadelphia, PA; a host of cousins, other relatives and dear friends, to include Angela Taylor, Frances Lynch, and blood brother, Alfonso James.



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call, I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way; I found sweet peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss... *Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.* Be not burdened with times of sorrow, *I* wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. *My life's been full, I've savored much;* Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my times seemed all too brief... Do not lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me FREE.

.I'm Free



Musical Prelude

Invocation

Ministry in Song

**Resolutions** 

Reflections (Please limit to 2 minutes each) *Five persons* 

Ministry in Song

Words of Comfort

Recessional

"I was so tired. At last, I'm free and at rest."

Order. of Service

Evangelist Maxine Davis New First Corinth Baptist Church

Dea. John Hampton New First Corinth Baptist Church

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Dea. Anthony Woods New First Corinth Baptist Church

Evangelist Maxine Davis

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Sis. Frances Lynch, Devoted Friend

*Evangelist Maxine Davis* 

Pastor R. E. Herring, Sr. Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

The Family Repast will be held at the home of Sis. Bernice Duhart, 4417 Grunthal Street, Jacksonville 32209, following the Interment.