

The Service of
Victory and Homecoming
Christian Burial
At



Cathedral International
277 Madison Avenue
Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

Cathedral International of Asbury Park
Fourth and Grand Avenues
Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Cathedral International of Plainfield
631 East Front Street
Plainfield, NJ 07060

732-826-5293 Extension 1121
Church Administrator

Bishop Donald Hilliard, Jr., D.Min., Senior Pastor
The Reverend B. Glover-Williams, D.Min. Executive Assistant Pastor

In the loss of a loved one

We, The Bishop, the Pastoral Staff and the Church family would like to mourn with you through these important life experiences. However, we need to be informed immediately when these experiences occur in your families. Please contact Member Services at the church office 732-826-5293 Tuesday – Friday 9 AM - 6 PM. After business hours, please listen for the emergency number given on the voice mail system and call your deacon so that we may serve you and your family appropriately. By calling before you make plans with your funeral director, you will find that pastoral guidance and support will save you errors in judgment which are likely during this crisis time. We will assist in any planning and programming of the service that is necessary.

As you gather your family together to make funeral arrangements, please take note of the following benefits given to you as member of the Cathedral International.

The Cathedral will provide:

- a. Musician
- b. Officiant
- c. Soloist
- d. Programs
- e. Repast (\$200.00 toward the cost for members only)

Information to give to the Church Administrator:

- a. A typed or written Obituary; the office staff will assist as needed
- b. Photographs
- c. Soloist (if needed)
- d. A person representing the family and the community will be given 2 minutes to make their remarks or tribute
- e. the number of persons attending the Repast
- f. Name, address and phone number of the funeral home
- g. Interments (burial sight)

Please read all of the funeral literature. During this time of making funeral arrangements, a Member Services representative will contact the senior pastor and pastoral staff to schedule the time and date of the services. There are no open casket funerals and the coffin is never opened at the end of the funeral.

The funeral services at Cathedral International are worship services aimed at lifting the bereaved and praising God For the life of the one now deceased. We do not aim to prolong your sorrow, nor capitalize thereon. We, therefore, recommend and enforce that all viewing (if any) occur prior to the funeral services. If you wish, the family may view upon entering the sanctuary via the procession. A closed casket entirely during the day of the service is far easier on the family. A casket is never opened at the conclusion of the service at the church. There are no exceptions to the rule.

The pastoral staff officiates all funerals at Cathedral International. In some cases, if the senior pastor is unavailable and the deceased was a member for many years under a former pastor, then his/her services may be desired. Permission may be granted in special cases if the family requests.

A church funeral is a service of Christian burial for those who have died in the Lord, and/or shared membership in the congregation. If the deceased was not a member of this church, it does not mean that his/her funeral cannot be held in the church. However, the family is asked to exercise wisdom in this regard. (i.e., If an individual has never regularly attended church or professed Christ, it might appear hypocritical and unfair to his/her memory to carry their remains into the church they cared nothing about.)

Wakes in the church's sanctuary are a privilege for church members only. All others should take place in the funeral home. One (1) hour before the funeral is given to those who are not members.

Masonic, fraternity or sorority ceremonies are not conducted in the sanctuary.

Funeral at Cathedral International can be scheduled for Tuesday through Saturday s at 10:00 am or 1:00 pm. Church members are not required to pay a fee for the pastor, musician and/or use of the church. However, donations to the church in loving memory of the deceased are accepted. Suggested donations are \$100 to the officiant, \$80 to the musician and a donation to the church in loving memory of the deceased. All donations should be given to the Church Administrator.

All questions can be directed to the Church Administrator's office
732-826-5293 ext. 1121.

Please do not hesitate to call we are here to serve you.

Funeral Information

(Please Print)

Full Name of Deceased: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Funeral Home: (add city and contact person):

Name of Cemetery: (add city and state)

Contact Person on Behalf of the Deceased Family:

Name:

Telephone Number

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Please attach obituary with the funeral information for the Church
Administrator