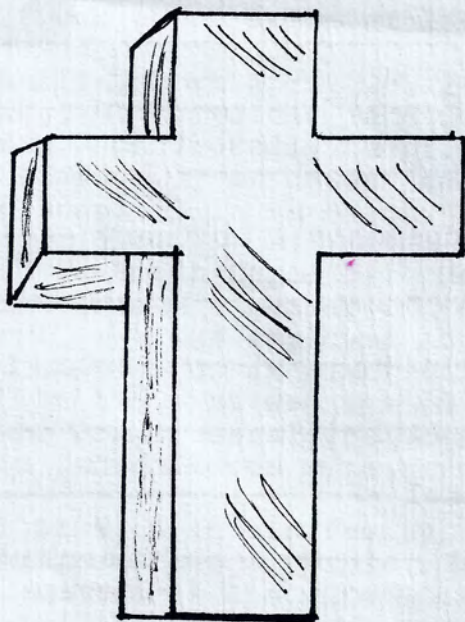


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of

M R. J O H N (B U D D Y) R U F F I N

April 28, 1943 - Sept. 28, 1989



Monday Oct. 2, 1989

2:30 P.M.

NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH
403 Rapidan Street
Portsmouth, VA. 23701

Pastor Charles H. Bowens, Jr., Officiating

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional -----

Hymn -----

Scripture -----

Prayer -----

Hymn -----

Tribute -----

Solo ----- Lorenzo Evans

Acknowledgements & Obituary -----

Solo -----

Eulogy ----- Pastor Bowens

Hymn -----

Recessional -----

Interment ----- Greenlawn Cemetery
Chesapeake, VA

CORPREW FUNERAL HOME -----In Charge

He would not want the ones he loved
To grieve for him today;
We must not say that he is dead,
For he is just away, Away upon a journey
To a land that's bright and fair;
And though we will miss him here
We know he's happy there
And though we are parted for a while,
We know we'll meet again with a smile.

The Family

Pallbearers

Co-workers

Floralbearers

Combined Ushers

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family sincerely appreciates
every kindness shown during the
illness and passing of their loved
one.

OBITUARY

God saw the road was getting rough,
The hills were hard to climb.
He gently closed his loving eyes,
And whispered, "Peace be Thine."
His weary hours, his days of pain,
His weary nights have passed,
His weary, patient, worn out frame,
Has found sweet peace at last.

John (Buddy) Ruffin, born April 28, 1943 in Edgecombe County, N. C. to the late George and Minnie L. Ruffin. On Thursday, Sept., 28, 1989, he peacefully slept away in Jesus' name at the Humana Bayside Hospital in VA Beach, VA.

He was educated in North Carolina. He was born again believer and a member of New Testament Church. He was employed at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard as an Electronic Mechanic for 21 years. In 1965, he was united in holy matrimony to the former Geraldine Goganious. With this union two children were born.

His life shall live on in his family. He leaves beautiful memories with his family and many friends. He leaves his wife, Geraldine of the home; also left to cherish and mourn his memory are: one daughter, Gwendolyn R. Mills of Portsmouth, VA; one son, Shawn R. Ruffin of Chesapeake, VA; three grandchildren, Rodney Ruffin, Jennifer Mills, and Johnny Mills, Jr.; six sisters, Mary R. Richards of Portsmouth, VA, Minnie R. Ruffin of Atlanta, GA, Elizabeth R. Miller, Elnora Y. Ruffin and Carolyn F. Ruffin of Norfolk, VA, Dorothy R. Moss of Des Moines, Iowa; three brothers, Joseph L. Ruffin of Compton, CA, William A. Ruffin of Chesapeake, VA and Milton E. Ruffin of Norfolk, VA, Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.