

# Order of Service

## Musical Prelude

Processional  
Clergy & Family

## Invocation

## Opening Hymn

**Scripture Reading**  
Deacon Norman Parker  
Canaan Baptist Church  
Old Testament: Psalm 23  
New Testament: John 3:16

**Prayer of Comfort**  
Deacon Eric Lacy  
Canaan Baptist Church

## Remarks

**Musical Selection**  
Regina Smith

**Acknowledgements**  
Valerie Johnson

**The Obituary**  
Read Silently

**Musical Selection**  
Regina Smith

**Eulogy**  
Elder Bernice Brown

**Prayer of Departure**  
Elder Bernice Brown

**Recessional**  
Clergy & Family

# Interment

Washington Crossing National Cemetery  
830 Highland Road  
Newtown, PA 18940



## I'M FREE

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've found that peace at the close of 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 for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times,  
my loved one's touch  
If my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

To my father...  
You've taught me many things that I will never forget. But most importantly you showed me love and what it was like to have an amazing Dad. Words will never be able to express how much I'll miss you. I am proud to have had you as my father. Our memories will live inside me forever. Gone too soon but never will be forgotten. I love you.

## PALLBEARERS

Family and Friends

## FLOWER BEARERS

Family and Friends

## IN APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family of Carl Andre Hutchinson  
We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for all of your prayers, expressions of sympathy, and love that has been shown during our time of bereavement. May God bless you and keep you in His care.



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HOMEGOING SERVICE

# CARL ANDRE Hutchinson

JANUARY 13, 1960 — OCTOBER 7, 2024

*Service of Love*

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

VIEWING: 10:00AM | SERVICE: 11:00AM

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FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

# His Story

Carl A. Hutchinson (Cully) was born in Philadelphia, PA on January 11, 1960 to parents Yvonne H. King and Carl E. Baker, Sr.

As a young child, Carl was in the Boy Scout program under Canaan Baptist Church where he also attended Sunday School. He joined Enon Baptist Church on Coulter Street where he was baptized.

Carl was educated in the Philadelphia Public School System. He also attended Lincoln Technical School in New Jersey where he received a degree in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning.

Carl joined the Air Force in 1981. He married Frances Johnson in March of 1983 and from this union they had one daughter, Tonna Dionne. Carl and Frances divorced in 1987.

Carl was employed by the City of Philadelphia for 35 years.

Hutch was a man who lived life with an open heart and a passion for the things he loved most. His greatest joy came from sharing his life with his longtime companion, Helena, with whom he spent many cherished years. Their bond was unshakable, and they supported one another through every chapter of life.

An excellent cook, Hutch took immense pride in his culinary creations. He was always experimenting with new dishes, often inspired by his favorite cooking shows, and sharing his delicious meals with his coworkers. His love for cooking wasn't just a hobby; it was a way he expressed his love for those around him, always bringing comfort and joy through his food.

A true Philadelphian, Hutch's loyalty to his city's sports teams never wavered. He was a die-hard Eagles fan, cheering them on through every win and loss, and he also held a deep affection for the Phillies. His collection of Eagles memorabilia was a testament to his enduring passion for the team.

Hutch had a zest for life that was infectious. He loved singing oldies, attending birthday parties, and enjoying the simple pleasures of good food at cookouts. One of his favorite pastimes was watching *Modern Marvels*, a show that fascinated him and sparked his curiosity about the world. He also loved classic cars and spent many peaceful hours putting puzzles together, eventually framing them as a personal reflection of his patience and creativity.

Hutch was more than his passions, though. He was a dedicated worker who gave over 35 years of service to the City of Philadelphia. Even when illness took its toll, Hutch's determination to be with his crew drove him to show up, day after day, despite his pain. His coworkers weren't just colleagues; they were his family, and he loved sharing his experiences with them.

An educated man with a keen interest in politics, Hutch made sure his voice was heard even in his final days. Determined to exercise his right to vote, he completed his mail-in ballot with pride, ensuring his opinions were counted.

Generous and kind-hearted, Hutch was always ready to help others, touching the lives of everyone he met. His beloved dog, Pete, will miss his warm homecoming each day.

Through his struggles, Hutch remained strong, often saying, "Don't cry, let's take this thing day by day." When his time came, God welcomed him with the words, "No more tears, I'll take your pain away." Rest in peace, dear Hutch. You will be missed deeply, especially by Helena, who will hold your memory close forever.

Carl leaves to cherish his memory his mother, Yvonne King; father, Carl E. Baker, Sr.; two daughters, Tonna H. Biasatti (Michael) and Carla Hutchinson; two grandsons, Giovanni and Lucca Biasatti; fiancé, Helena Heath; three sisters, Darlene King, Roseanna Baker, Trina Smith (Bryan); two brothers, Donald King, Jr., Carl Baker, Jr.; two aunts, Joanne Peace, Charlotte Baker; two uncles, Roger Baker, Sr., Joy (Buddy) Baker; a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

