

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.  
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, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembered joys.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
O 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 savored much  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief,  
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee  
God wanted me now: He set me free...



## *Pallbearers*

Morrison Banner, Leslie Pagett, Ronald Pagett  
Allison Pagett, Charles Pickney, Rakeem Pickney

## *Acknowledgements*

The **Pagett** family would like to take this time to express gratitude to each and everyone taking to express condolences, called texted or reached out in any way during this difficult time.



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## *Home Going Service for Gerald Pagett Jr.*



*Sunrise*  
April 26, 1953



*Sunset*  
May 18, 2022

## *Services:*

*Saturday, May 28, 2022*

**Wake: 9:00 A.M.**

**Service: 10:00 A.M.**

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Pastor Geoffery Hicks, Officiating

*Funeral Services  
for  
1953 Gerald Pagett Jr. 2022*

Gerald was born in San Ignacio, Belize on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1953, to Gerald Sr. and Maud Pagett.

He attended St. Andrews Anglican school and the Belize Technical College. After graduation, he moved to Belmopan where worked for the Government of Belize as a postal clerk, he also played basketball with the Belmopan Bullets. Those were exciting days. The only time I saw my mom quiet at a basketball game was when the Bullets (Gerald's team) played Avengers (Morrison's team).

The announcer put her on blast (speaking Kriol)" Ms. Maud Yu Quiet tonight". Gerald was also a boxer, he won may fights beating the city boy that was supposed to be the best in the country, namely Hurricane Bowser, George Dakers. He also fought local boys like Sherman Juan, even brother Morrison. (But won't go into that, lol).

Gerald emigrated to the United States in 1975, he worked at Perkit Folding Box, in Mattapan.

He met a Lydia Beckers, who swept him off his feet, they got married and he never look back. Lydia was his life, he lived for her, when she said jump, he said how high? He also worked for Humbolt moving and storage alongside his best friend Charles Pickney until he retired.

Gerald live here in Boston since he arrived in the US, after Lydia passed away he refused to move to New York to be with his family, he had grown root here. He had great friends who treated him live family. Charles was like his brother from another mother. He was family.

Whenever Gerald could not be reached, the next called was to Charles. Gerald kept how sick he was, until he couldn't keep it a secret any longer. He kept saying he's just tired. My iron level is low, and when asked how you doing? His two words was "I'm good".

He went to be with his beloved Lydia and his parent and siblings on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Brother Sleep in Peace.

*Order of Service*



INVOCATION ..... Pastor Geoffery Hicks

FIRST READING ..... Psalm 23 ..... Rakeem Pickney

PRAYER ..... Pastor Geoffery Hicks

HYMN ..... Blessed Assurance

SECOND READING ..... Isiah 25:6-9 ..... Lawrence Meighan

OBITUARY READING ..... Allison Pagett

HYMN ..... Just A Closer Walk With Thee

TRIBUTES ..... Open Floor for 2 Minutes

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ..... Morrison Banner

EULOGY ..... Pastor Geoffery Hicks

RECESSIONAL HYMN ..... How Great Thou Art

FINAL VIEWING

**Interment**  
Mt. Hope Cemetery