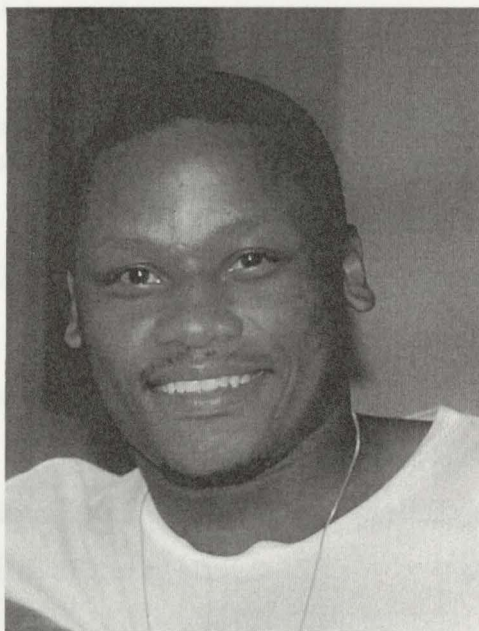


Celebration of Life  
*for*  
Mr. Bernard Dwayne Sawyers



**SUNRISE**  
March 8, 1977  
Forsyth County

**SUNSET**  
May 19, 2009  
Forsyth County

Sunday, May 24, 2009  
Three o'clock

Chestnut Ridge Progressive  
Primitive Baptist Church  
Mount Airy, North Carolina

Elder James E. Denson,  
*Pastor/Officiating/Eulogist*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude

Earth's Final Glimpse 1:30 until 2:00 pm

Words of Comfort Guest Minister

Invocation Guest Minister

Selection Choir

Scripture Old Testament Guest Minister

New Testament Guest Minister

Obituary (To be read Silently)

Acknowledgements Elma Coakley

Selection Choir

Eulogy Elder James E. Denson

Recessional (People Standing)

Committal/Benediction Elder James E. Denson

The Final Flight Spencer Funeral Home Staff

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## THE OBITUARY

Mr. Bernard Dwayne Sawyers of 403 South Crutchfield St. Apt. 12, Dobson, North Carolina. Bernard entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Bernard was born on March 8, 1977 in Forsyth County. Bernard was a graduate of North Surry High School in 1996. He was employed by Piedmont Medical, Dobson, North Carolina and McDonald's, Dobson, North Carolina. He was born to the late Leroy Hairston and Charlene Sawyers of Ararat, VA. He is survived by two daughters, Chianna Johnson of Virginia, Layla Sawyers of Dobson, North Carolina; two sons, Sydney Sawyers and Travon Sawyers both of Dobson, North Carolina; fiancée Christy Bost of Dobson, North Carolina; two sisters Catherine Sawyers (James) Lockhart of Charlotte, North Carolina. Thumalina Simmons of Mount Airy, North Carolina; one brother Cecil Sawyers of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; step-father, John Sailor of Ararat, Virginia; special aunt and uncle, Scottie and Ronnie France of Mount Airy, North Carolina; foster family, Minister Steve and Donna Flippen; three foster sisters, Sandra (Eric) Scales of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Dianna (Herman) Richmond of Charlotte, North Carolina and Camilla (James) Simmons of Pilot Mountain, North Carolina; two foster brothers Stevie Flippen of Mount Airy, North Carolina and Jason McLeod of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. With a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends.

*"I am Home dear loved ones, oh, so happy and bright; there is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light. Please, no sad hearts, no hung down heads, Don't weep for me, I am not dead."*



## **MAY I GO?**

*May I go now?*

*Do you think the time is right?*

*May I say goodbye*

*To the pain-filled days and endless sleepless nights?  
I've lived my life and done my best to be all that I could be  
So, I could take that step beyond and set my spirit free.*

*I didn't want to go at first; I fought with all my might,  
But, something seems to draw me near to a warm and loving light.*

*I want to go, I really do, it's difficult to stay,  
But I will try the best I can to live just one more day.*

*To give you time to care for me and share your love and fears,  
I know you're sad and afraid, because I see your tears,  
I won't be far, I promise that, and hope you'll always know,  
That my spirit will be close to you, where ever you may go.*

*Thanks so much for loving me; you know I love you too,  
That's why it is hard to say goodbye and end this life with you.  
So hold me now just one more time and let me hear you say,  
Because you care so much for me, you'll let me go today.*



## **Thank You**

*The loss of the one we held so dear.  
It was to us a great comfort indeed,  
To see you in the time of sorrow and need.  
So from our hearts which you tried to help mend,  
We thank you sincerely again and again  
For being such wonderful friends.*

*The Family of*  
Mr. Bernard Dwayne Sawyers  
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