



## Jeremiah Coley

November 5, 1944 - April 12, 2020

Jeremiah Coley, affectionately known as Jerry, entered eternal rest peacefully on Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020. He resided in Lincoln Park, N.J., and lost his life as a result of the COVID19 pandemic. Born on November 5, 1944, Jerry is a native of Goldsboro, N.C., and predeceased by his parents – his mother, Ruth Best, and his father, Rev. Zeno Coley.

In the early 1950s, Rev. Coley moved Jerry and his siblings to Passaic, N.J., in pursuit of a better life. In his early years, Jerry attended Passaic Public Schools and worked a variety of jobs before gaining employment with Marriott Saddle Brook as a houseman. He was a hard worker, enjoyed his time with Marriott, and was well-liked for his unique sense of humor.

In later years, Jerry became ill and took residence at Harbor House in Paterson, N.J. Subsequently, in April 2005, he entered long term care at Lincoln Park Health Care Center in Morris County, spending his days among the friends he made during his stay.

To have known Jerry was to appreciate that he was a quite a character! He loved music and is particularly remembered for the dance skills he put on display in the 1960s. In Passaic, dancing earned him a following as the city's first male dancer at a popular nighttime establishment. He donned a sailor suit while performing the latest dances, such as "The Slop".

Astrology was another pastime Jerry enjoyed. Anyone could ask him for their daily horoscope and Jerry would have it memorized from the local newspaper. He knew the lucky numbers for the day, too. Family and friends remember Jerry as kind, outgoing and full of laughs. His smile was bright and unforgettable.

Jeremiah will be missed dearly by his family. He is survived by his sisters, Ernestine Coley Francies of Passaic, N.J., and Agnes Coley of Saddle Brook, N.J. His eldest sister, Doris Coley Kenner Jackson and older brother, Leodie Coley, predeceased him.

Though he had no children, Jeremiah was blessed with over 30 nephews and nieces!

Jeremiah lived a full and colorful life. His family is grateful for the prayers and condolences of the many friends who remember him.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jeremiah Coley*

November 27, 2022 at 05:57 PM



“ *Beloved Uncle , We Love you*

**Mr & Mrs Brown & CJ & Carlton** - May 21, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ *To know Jerry was to love him. May his journey into the timeless infinity be filled with all that matters: LOVE.*

**David R. Wyder** - April 17, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ *At this sorrowful period in your life, please accept my sincerest condolences for the death of your loved one. Reflecting on the divine promises found in the Bible will give you hope and strength to keep going until all of God's promises are fulfilled. (John 5:28, 29; Romans 15:13; 2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17).*

**JC** - April 17, 2020 at 11:51 AM