



In Loving Memory
of
*Brother Alonzo
Figg*

Sunrise: 1907

Sunset: 1997



Service Held on
Thursday, April 10, 1997
Star Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
5800 San Pablo Avenue
Oakland, California

Officiating
Rev. Dr. J.L. Hudson, Pastor

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Obituary

Brother Alonzo Figg was born on November 14, 1907 to the parentage of the late Paul and Clara Figg in Batesville, Mississippi. He was the last born of eight children. Two brothers preceded him in death, Willie James "Buddy" and Clarence. Four sisters preceded him in death, Lydia, Hattie, Lillian and Mildred.

He confessed Christ at an early age and was baptized at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Batesville, Mississippi. He completed his high school education in Batesville, Mississippi.

He was a devoted family member and upon his death of his sister Mildred in 1926, he raised her only son, Milton Buckley.

He married the love of his life, Melzenie Wilson on December 27, 1938, and was blessed with 58 years of heavenly bliss. To this union eight children were born. Alonzo Figg, Jr., preceded him in death as a young toddler.

In 1942, the family moved to Oakland, California and united with Macedonia Missionary Baptist church under the leadership of the late Rev. Joseph Covington, Sr. He was a faithful, willing worker of the Lord, an ordained Deacon, member of the Male Chorus and served as the Treasurer.

In 1958, he united with the Star Bethel Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. George Henderson; where he was actively involved in many areas the church, such as the Brotherhood, Senior Choir, Male Chorus and Sunday School Board. He continued to serve faithfully even with his ill health, until his illness prevented him from doing so.

Alonzo worked many years at the Naval Air Station in Aircraft Maintenance until he retired in 1972. Upon retirement he remained active doing multiple jobs. He proved good moral leadership for his children and lead by example.

He was also a member of Joppa Lodge #9 in Oakland, California; where he served as a Steward Innerguard.

He was a direct and strong-willed person. He worked faithfully and found much joy in knowing that it was all for the cause of Christ. All that knew him were blessed by his generous spirit of giving and his warm smile. He lived the life, that "it is more a blessing to give than to receive." He departed this life on April 3, 1997 at home.

He leaves to celebrate his homegoing his beautiful and dutiful wife Melzenie; four sons: Gene E Berkeley, CA, Paul Edward of Oakland, CA, Robert Larry of San Diego, CA, and Ricky of Oakland, CA; three daughters: Murtis Diallo of Huntington Beach, CA, Darlene Tripp of Bay Pointe, CA, and Mildred Hill of Walnut Creek, CA; one sister: Cora Lee Johnson of Fresno, CA; four daughter-in-laws: Luella Figg of Berkeley, CA, Joyce Figg of Oakland, CA, Benita Figg of San Diego, CA, and Ginesta Figg of Oakland, CA; three sons-in-law: Ibrahima Diallo of Huntington Beach, CA, Thomas Tripp of Bay Pointe, CA and Ronald Hill of Walnut Creek, CA; nine grandchildren: Gene Earl Figg, Jr., Souleymane & Abdoulaye Diallo, Malachi & Ayasha Tripp, Akheem Figg, Shannon Polk, Ronald Hill, Jr., & Roshana Hill, and one step-grandson, Alfonso St. Amant; four sisters-in-law: Anna Mae Dodd of Batesville, Mississippi, Daisy Partee of Berkeley, CA, Clara Robinson of Oakland, CA, and Ida Mae Wilson of Pasadena, CA; four brothers-in-law: Willie B. Dodd of Batesville, Mississippi Zettie Partee of Oakland, CA, Nathaniel Robinson of Oakland, CA and Booker T. Wilson of Pasadena, CA, and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Order of Service