

### *Acknowledgement*

*We would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to know how much we appreciate and love you.*

*The Family~*

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one  
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when my life is done  
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways  
Of happy times and laughing times and bright sunny days  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun  
Of happy memories that I leave when my life is done*

### ***The Broken Chain***

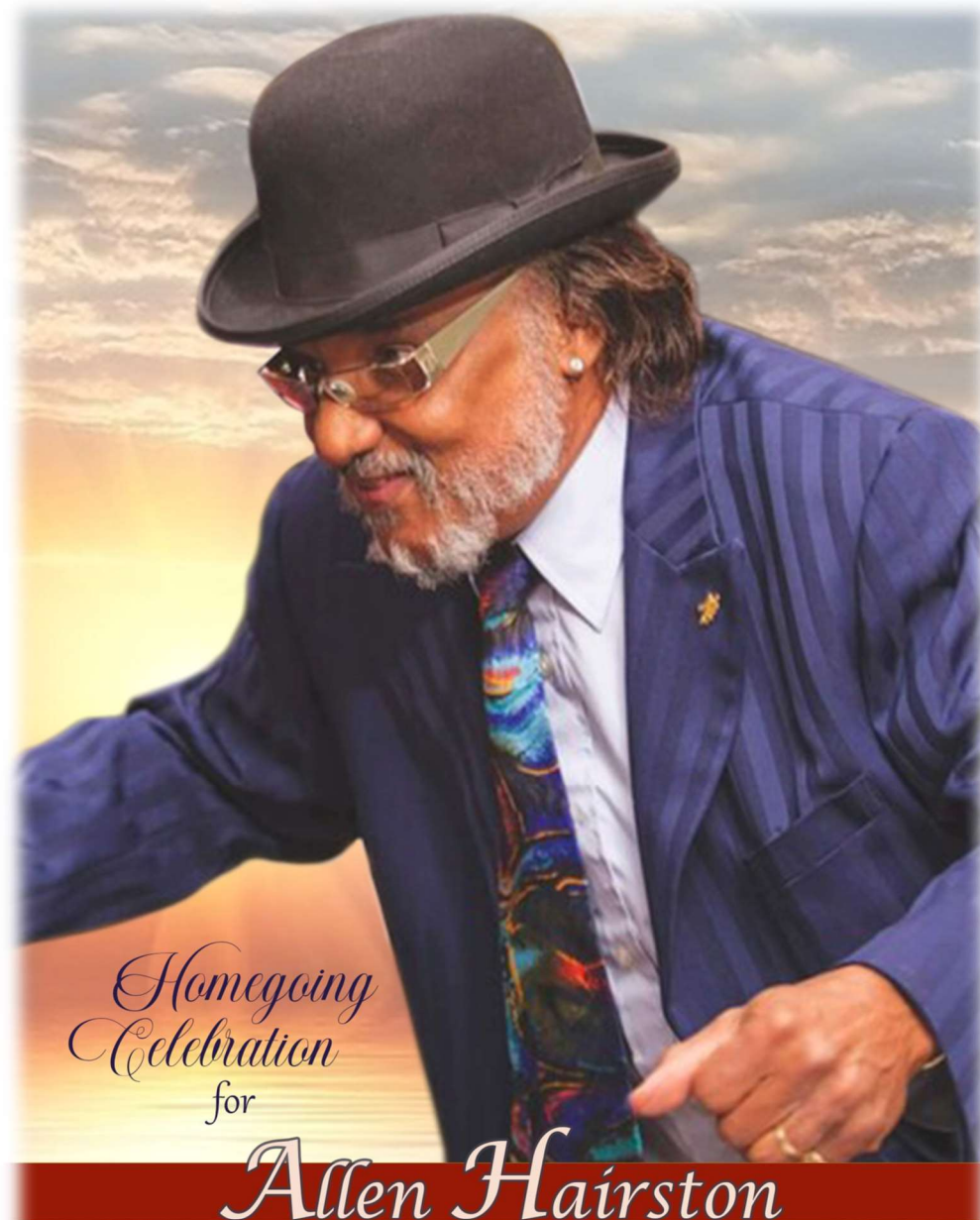
*We little knew that morning  
That God would call your name  
In life we loved you dearly  
In death we do the same*

*It broke our hearts to lose you  
You did not go alone  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home*

*You left us beautiful memories  
Your love is still our guide  
And although we cannot see you  
You're always by our side*

*Our family chain is broken  
And nothing seems the same  
But as God calls us one by one  
The chain will link again*

To offer condolences to The Hairston Family,  
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**JUNE 4, 1950 ~ JANUARY 7, 2022**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022 ~ 3:00 PM**

**MARLAN J. GARY FUNERAL HOME**

***Chapel of Peace***

**5456 E. Livingston Avenue | Columbus, Ohio**

***ELDER CLIFTON ARLINE***

***Officiating & Eulogizing Minister***

## *The Obituary*

Allen Hairston, 71, of Columbus, Ohio passed away January 7, 2022, at home of COPD.

Allen was born in Columbus, Ohio on June 4, 1950, to Jessie Hairston and Helen Robison. He attended Champion and graduated from Linden McKinley High School. After high school he attended CTI and was employed by the State of Ohio as a records officer.

Allen married Mary Hook on September 12, 1998. Through this childhood he grew up in Poindexter Village with his close cousins (Paula, Wingene, Donald, Rhonda, and Demoris Jr.) and friends.

He ran track in high school, loved motorcycles, fast cars, and spending time with his family and close friends (Marc Willis, Freddy Mason, Gary, and Tony Giles) and many more. He also enjoyed Sunday car rides with his Uncle Nate in his 1966 Valiant as well as Sunday visits with his cousins Paula and Wingene at Margaret's (Sisters) house. Allen also had a great love for music, electronics, animals, and humor. You can always remember him making jokes or having a smile on his face.

He is survived by his wife Mary Hairston, daughter Charmayne Ivery, stepdaughters Cassandra (Thomas) Arline, Chantel (John) Keyt, brother Anthony (Tammy) Genovese, sisters Deborah Hairston and Ossie Thomas, aunt Beverly Shouse, as well as many grandchildren, Jeremyah, Jeremiah, Jermayne, Janyah, Japreah, Jernaysha, AJ, Wyatt, Tamia and Jayla, including Jayden and James Garrett who lived with Mary and Allen.

Preceded in death by mother Helen Faison, stepfather Jim Faison, father Jessie Hairston, and stepmother Jessie (Dora) Hairston and many others.

## *Order of Service*

ORGAN PRELUDE..... Chapel of Peace Music Ministry  
PARTING VIEW.....Immediate Family  
SCRIPTURE READING.....Anthony Genovese  
Old Testament .....Isaiah 40:31, Isaiah 66:13  
Ecclesiastes 3:1-4  
New Testament ..... Philippians 3:20, John 14:1-3  
PRAYER ..... Alberta Hunt  
SELECTION.....Tamela Mann  
"Take Me to The King"  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES .....Thomas Arline  
REMARKS (2 minutes) ..... Family & Friends  
(8 people maximum)  
READING OF OBITUARY..... Victoria Robison  
SELECTION..... Anthony Brown  
"He Thought I Was Worth Saving"

### *The Eulogy*

ELDER CLIFTON ARLINE

BENEDICTION.....Elder Clifton Arline  
RECESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family & Friends

### **REPAST**

Following Immediately after service, at Harvey Alston  
Elks Lodge 1595 E. Livingston Ave. Columbus, Ohio

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me  
though he were dead yet shall he live.*

*And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*

*John 11:25-26*