

## *Psalm 23*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

### *Pallbearers*

Montael Davis      Frederick Sims      Terrence Shephard, Jr  
Clovace White      James Lemley, Jr      Shawn Gunter

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Keith Sims      Rayantone Bryant

### *Flower Girls*

Family & Friends

### *Acknowledgment*

*The family, with deep appreciation, wish to acknowledge the many comforting messages, prayers, visits and many other expressions of kindness and sympathy extended to them at this time.*

### *Arrangements Entrusted to:*

**R.A. Prince Funeral Services**  
16222 Broadway Avenue  
Maple Heights, OH 44137 - 216.518.1777

# *In Loving Memory Of*

## *Phillip Douglas Pempton*

*Sunrise: March 30, 1965 - Sunset: April 23, 2021*



*Saturday, May 1, 2021*

*Wake: 9:00 AM*

*Services: 9:30 AM*

## **Canaan Missionary Baptist Church**

4688 East 162nd Street, Cleveland, OH 44128

**Reverend Dr. Annie Davis, Officiating**

# Order of Service

Organ Prelude .....

**Visiting Hour: 9:00 - 9:30 AM**

Processional .....

Scripture Readings .....

*Old Testament*  
*New Testament*

Prayer .....

Selection ..... Deacon Gregory Elbee

Acknowledgement/Resolutions ..... June E. Hill

Reading of Obituary ..... Davione Alvis

Words of Comfort ..... Family and Friends  
(Limit 2 Minutes )

Selection ..... Phyllis Weeden-Oliver

Eulogy .....

Pastor Kenneth J. Robinson, Senior Pastor  
The Creek Church  
Charlotte, NC

Recessional/ Benediction ..... Rev. Dr. Annie Davis

**Interment**  
Cleveland Memorial Gardens  
Warrensville Heights, OH 44128

# Obituary

**Phillip Douglas Pempton** was born March 30, 1965 in Cleveland, Ohio to the late Rachel L. Pempton. Phillip was an only child; however, he was raised together with Rochell Sims (who preceded him in death) whom he referred to as his sister. He is also preceded in death by his grandmother, Ola Barnes Lemley, aunt, Juanita Barry (Willie), and uncle, James Lemley, Sr. (Shirley).

Phillip attended Cleveland Public Schools where he graduated and received his high school diploma from John F. Kennedy High School in 1983. He attended The Ohio State University in Columbus, OH where he majored in Engineering.

Phillip received Christ and was baptized at Canaan Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Charles B. Cotton, Sr. He served faithfully as the Chairman of the Deacon Board, Vice-Chairman of the Trustee Board, an active member of the Laymen's Committee of the Progressive Baptist Association, and taught Sunday School until his untimely death.

Phillip had an excellent work ethic and took every task he had seriously. He was employed for 13 years at Receivable Management Services as a Collections Specialist and later moved up to Team Lead and Trainer. He enjoyed tinkering with electronics, going out to eat at Golden Corral, and was an avid Star Trek fan.

Although Phillip had no children of his own, he helped to raise his sister's children whom he referred to as his nieces and nephews.

Phillip leaves to cherish his memories, two nephews, Montael Davis and Frederick Sims; two nieces, Sharanie Sims and Robin Sims all of Cleveland, OH; ten first cousins, Vicki Bryant (Nathaniel Ray) of Cleveland, OH, Veronica Jenkins (Mike) and Pamela Kindle (James) of Fremont, OH, Karen Lemley of Columbus, OH, James Lemley, Jr. (Patty) of Wooster, OH and Yvonne Jones, Gail White, Kenneth Sims, Belinda Sims, and Carl Barry all of whom preceded him in death; his long-time girlfriend, Sonja Banks, and a host of cousins, relatives, and friends.