



## Deacon John Henry Stevenson

May 24, 1930 - August 16, 2017

John Henry Stevenson was born and raised in a God-fearing home to the late Rev. Leo T. and Utensil Jackson – Stevenson in Florence, South Carolina on May 24, 1930.

Educated in the Florence, South Carolina public school system and later moved to Connecticut where he worked for Winchester Repeating Arms, Arrow Laboratories and then retired from Plasticrete in 1992 after working for approximately 30 years.

John remembering his spiritual foundation immediately upon relocating to Connecticut attended St. Matthews Unison Free Will Church and later attending Shiloh Baptist Church in the late sixties, where he joined in 1970.

John didn't just attend and join, he worked diligently in the ministry devoted and true to the calling on his life. John was ordained Deacon John H.

Stevenson in November 1975, where he served as Chairman of the Deacon Board. In 1983, Deacon Stevenson founded the Shiloh Male Chorus. He was affectionately known as "Shiloh's Singing Deacon" and remained faithful to both until his transition.

On Wednesday August 16, 2017 at approximately 5:20pm, God dispatched one of His angels to pluck another one of His fullest blooms for His bouquet. Deacon John Henry Stevenson fell into a deep sleep in the arms of the Master and felt no fear, because his ticket had been purchased and his reservation made at an early age to enter his eternal life with Christ. A week before his transition he said, "I Got The Victory!".

He loved spending time with family and friends, traveling and taking his boat out to fish. Our beloved patriarch will forever be remembered as an honorable man who loved the Lord, his family and his friends. He was a faithful, dedicated and anointed servant.

His precious memories will be cherished by daughters; Rosalind McKinnie (Walter), Sharon James-Boyd (Eugene), Mary Levy (Richard), all of New Haven, CT; Dolores Shaw (Ernest) of Columbia, SC; sons Selven Parson of San Diego, CA, Marvin Henderson (Carol), Leroy Henderson all of New Haven, CT., sisters Dr. Marjorie S. Barr of Forestville, MD., Almenia S. Williams of Washington, DC, and Zelmar S. Gordon (John) of Fort Washington, MD., 25 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephew family.

Three sons preceded him in death; John H. Stevenson Jr., Alvin Stevenson, and Anthony Stevenson Sr.; grandsons, Frederick R. James Jr., Desmond Shaw, John-Claude Anthony James Sr.; brother Leo Stevenson; sisters; Oza S. Coleman, Eddie Ruth Washington, Creola S. Gregg, Rosa S. Smith, and Louvenia Vorn.

# Cemetery Details

## Hamden Plains Cemetery

Hamden, CT

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG 24. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
100 Lawrence Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

## Wake

AUG 24. 6:00 PM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
100 Lawrence Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

## Calling Hours

AUG 25. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
100 Lawrence Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

## Service

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AUG **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
100 Lawrence Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

# Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon John Henry Stevenson*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *Love Kesha, Laurice, Joann, Skye and Stephanie. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Deacon John Henry Stevenson.*



**Love Kesha, Laurice, Joann, Skye and Stephanie.** - August 24, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ *So sorry for the lost of my long time friend; will forever remember him. Our Condolences to the family. Deacon Archie Thomas and HARVEST TIME MINISTRY*

**Deacon Archie Thomas** - August 23, 2017 at 09:08 PM



“ *The sadness of the passing of your loved one is felt by many. May the thought of knowing that we share in your sadness be a comfort to you and your family, Sis Greene and Demond*

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“ To GOD BE the Glory. My Daddy truly got the  
"Victory In Jesus" Resting in the bossum of our  
Lord And SAVIOUR JESUS Christ.. To my  
family, God will strengthen and bring us along.  
Daddy so loved the Lord and we will see him  
again if we live right. I love you all 💜💜💜



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**Rosalind McKinnie** - August 23, 2017 at 09:18 AM