

February 26, 2014

VINCENT POTUTO JR.



AUGUST 17, 1951 - FEBRUARY 14, 2014

New Hope

Baptist Church of East Orange

144 Norman St, East Orange New Jersey 07017



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OBITUARY

Vincent M. Potuto, 62, of Boonton New Jersey, born to Vincent Sr. and Dorothy Potuto on August 17, 1951 in Jersey City, New Jersey, passed away on Friday, February 14, 2014 at St. Clare's Hospital in Denville. Vincent is survived by his Aunt Joyce Parsi and several cousins. He is also survived by his fiancé Stephanie Oliver, stepdaughters Brittany Oliver, Kenyetta Jones-Baskervill and his granddaughter Madison Ruffin.

He attended Pequannock High School and graduated in 1969. He attended Jersey City State College and received his degree in Music Performance and Education in 1973. Vinny had a passion for music - forming the group "The Kittyhawks" with whom he performed as the lead drummer in local venues. His second passion was art, attending the Parsons School of Design where his artistic talent led him to study animation under one of Walt Disney's original animators, Mr. M.H. Neil.

Vincent Potuto leaves a legacy of integrity and outstanding instruction to all those students who had the blessing of being taught by him. Those students include members of The Clifford J. Scott Marching Band, The East Orange High School Animation Program, The Vernon L. Davey Band, The Cicely L. Tyson Community School of Performing and Fine Arts Animation Department and The Bloomfield College Animation Department. He will forever live in the hearts of his family, his colleagues and his dear friends.

PROGRAM

Reverend Dwight D. Gill Officiator

Processional

Opening Remarks

Scripture Reading

Prayer

Musical Selection

Cicely L. Tyson Middle School Concert Choir Ms. Jean L. James Director

Acknowledgements & Resolutions

Obituary Reading

Remarks Stephanie Oliver

Music Selection

Cicely L. Tyson Middle School Concert Choir Ms. Jean L. James Director

Eulogy

Benediction

Recessional

Internment Buena Vista Cemetery, Brodheadsville Pennsylvania.

NEW HOPE

BAPTIST CHURCH OF EAST ORANGE

The Reverend Dwight D. Gill, Senior Servant



Psalm 23

New King James Version (NKJV)

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul;
He leads 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 You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs 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.



FAMILY REFLECTIONS



Music



The band performed during the school's annual pep assembly in the gymnasium here on Friday.

Scott band places second

Scott placed second in the state band competition held at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The band, directed by Mr. [Name], won the title of "Best Band" in the state. The band members were very proud of their achievement. The band will be performing at the school's annual pep assembly on Friday.



Band to play in Disney World

The school band will be performing at Disney World in Orlando, Florida. The band is excited about the opportunity to play for a large audience. The performance will be held on Saturday.



Scott band achieves goal

The Scott band has achieved its goal of performing at the state band competition. The band members are very proud of their accomplishment. The band will be performing at the school's annual pep assembly on Friday.



Scott musicians to entertain South



ANIMATION



“AND NOW IT'S TIME TO SAY
GOODBYE TO ALL OUR
COMPANY.....”

On behalf of the entire family, Stephanie and Brittany would like to thank all who shared in the happy moments spent with Vinny. Keep us all in your thoughts and prayers as we pray for you. You have been a great source of comfort and support.

Special Thanks to:

New Hope Baptist Church of East Orange New Jersey. The Reverend Dwight D. Gill, Senior Servant

The East Orange School District, Dr. Gloria Scott Superintendent

The Cicely L. Tyson Community School of Performing and Fine Art. Principal, Anita Champagne

Bloomfield College Animation staff and students, Richard Levao President

Campus Animation and the entire East Orange Campus community

The former Vernon L. Davey Music and Animation Staff and Students

The former Clifford J. Scott Faculty and Students

Art Work:

Ryan Johnson,

Cover Art "Mr. Potutos' Magic Kingdom"

Sierra Roberson, Bloomfield College, NJ "Mr. Potuto Tribute" Page 1

Bloomfield Animation Students

Cicely L. Tyson Animation Students

Vincent Potuto Jr.

Program

Brittany Oliver, William Coronado and Frederick Goode

