

OBITUARY

Elijah Blair Jr. (known as Buddy), 79, of Hackettstown, N.J., passed away on May 2, 2015. The funeral service will be Saturday, May 9, 2015, at 12 noon at Calvary Baptist Church, 10 Martin Luther King Ave., Morristown, N.J. Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 8, 2015, at Rowe-Lanterman Home for Funerals, 71 Washington St., Morristown, N.J. and on Saturday at the church for one hour prior to the funeral service. Interment is at Peaceful Rest Cemetery, Thomasville, Ga. Condolences may also be expressed online at www.rowelanterman.com Born in Thomasville, Ga., on June 3, 1935, Elijah graduated from the Thomasville public school system. He married Gracie Mae Moore on Nov. 16, 1957. They were married for 39 years. Elijah was a buildings and grounds supervisor at the Morris County Courthouse, where he worked for 28 years. He enjoyed playing golf, and won many tournaments, and also taught golf lessons at the Spring Brook Country Club in Morristown. He enjoyed working both in his garden and on cars. Elijah was predeceased by his wife, Gracie Mae, and is survived by his three daughters, Deborah Ann Scott of Morristown, N.J.; Cynthia Denise Blair Ali of Wharton, N.J. and Vickie Lynn Blair Atlanta, Ga. He also leaves behind, one son-in-law, Rev. Herman Scott of Morristown, N.J.; three grandchildren, Donesha Charisse Scott of Jersey City, N.J., Nakishia Shanea Blair of Wharton, N.J., and Armani Darrien Blair of Washington, D.C.; beloved sisters, Ossie Mack and Marilyn Kelly of Jacksonville, Fla.; brother-in-law, Willie Moore Jr. of Roswell, Ga., and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the [American Cancer Society](http://www.americancancersociety.org), 7 Ridgedale Ave., Suite 103, Cedar Knolls, N.J. 07927.

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