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INTERMENT

Veterans' National Cemetery,

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PALLBEARERS

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BROOKS FUNERAL HOME 862 Concordia Ave. St. Paul, Minn. 55104

In Memorian

SAMUEL LEE RANSOM 1883 - 1970

> February, 20, 1970 1:00 P.M.

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH 732 W. Central Ave. St. Paul, Minn. 55104



Samuel Lee Ransom, born in Chicago, Illinois, July 4, 1883 to Alice and George Ransom. Came to St. Paul in 1907 to play professional baseball with a Negro team. He was a student at Beloit College at the time. When World War I broke out, he was among the first to serve with the 93rd Div. 370 Battalion earning the rank of First Lieutenant. He was wounded and received the Purple Heart Citation. He was commissioned Major in the Minnesota State Guard on March 14, 1942 and has been on the staff of both Governors Stassen and Thye. He coached the Mecharry College in Nashville, Tennessee to Southern Football Championship in 1909 and 1910.

He married Queen K. Johnson, who passed away after many years of married life. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Vashti Rogers on June 30, 1952. He retired from the U. S. Post Office in 1953 after 32 years of service.

Major Ransom was a member of the Retired Men's Club, Perfect Ashler Lodge No. 4, Prince Hall Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star—Minnesota Jurisdiction, St. Paul Chapter O.E.S. No. 1, Leslie Laurence Post No. 497, Military Order of the Purple Heart—U.S.A. No. 5, One of the founders of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity in the Midwest region. Organizer of the Governor's Interracial Commission, member of Hallie Q. Brown Community House, N.A.A.C.P., The Royal Circle, The Trustee Board of Pilgrim Baptist Church.

On December 30, 1969, he revived the Citation of Honor for Service rendered to the State of Minnesota.

Major Ransom passed away February 15, 1970, leaving his family and a host of friends to mourn their loss.





Order of Service

Invocation
Scripture
SelectionChoir
Lead Me to Calvary
Remarks from representatives from:
Governor's Interracial Commission
U. S. Post Office
The Governor's Office
Selection Miss Hazel Murray
How Great Thou Art
EulogyDr. Floyd Massey, Jr
SelectionMr. James Murray
Precious Lord

The family wishes to acknowledge all expressions of sympathy.

