# IN LOVING MEMORY AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# Anthony Swaby Edwards aka 'Smokez'



Sunrise: 14th October 1980 - Sunset: 23rd November 2022

St Laurence Church, Catford, SE6 Wednesday 11th January 2023 11:30am Officiating Minister - Father Andrew Grant

#### **Pall Bearers**

Marlon Douglas (Best Friend & Brother) Andrew Grossett (Best Friend & Brother) Anaeous Brown (Best Friend) Lamar Edwards (Cousin) Gavin Francis (Cousin) Daniel Catelinet (Cousin) Roy Witter Jr (Uncle)

# **Honour Procession**

Lucky Perera-Witter (Cousin)

Owen Lynch (Uncle)

Troy Edwards (Cousin)

Matthew Witter (Cousin)

Jordan Jones (Cousin)

Nathan Grant (Friend)

Jerome Siley (Friend)

Courtney Jones (Cousin)

Tyrone Ricketts (Friend)

Ryan Witter (Cousin)

Kristofer Lewis (Cousin)

Ryan Jones (Cousin)

Saji Jayesinghe (Cousin)

# **Order of Service**

# Entrance Music: Last Time, Lonny Bereal

Welcome	
Opening Prayers	Fr Andrew Grant
The Lord's Prayer	
Psalm 23	All
Eulogy	Palmela Witter (Mother) Victoria-Anne Witter (Sister) Whitney-Louise Witter (Sister)
<b>Reading: Ecclesiastes Ch 3 vv 1-8</b> To everything there is a season	Coren Edwards (Aunt) Mary Dantzie (Aunt)
Hymn: Amazing Grace – Solo	Jermain Jackman
Tributes	Andrew Grossett & Tyrone Ricketts (Friends) Marlon Douglas (Friend) & Marcia Coleman (God Mother) Beverley McFarlane (Aunt) & Gavin Francis (Cousin) Roy Witter Jr (Uncle)
<b>Reading:</b> St John's Gospel Ch. 14 vv1-6 Do not let your hearts be troubled	Keith Sampson (Cousin)
Hymn: How Great Thou Art	All
Commendation	

#### Exit Music – Incredible, General Levi

#### **Entrance Music: Last Time, Lonny Bereal**

# Welcome & Opening Prayers

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever.

Amen.

#### Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing He shall feed me in a green pasture; and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort He shall convert my soul; and bring me forth in th paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, will fear no ovil: for thou art with me: they red and they staff comfort me

evil; for thou art with me; they rod and they staff comfort me Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me; thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full But they loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of y life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Amen.

# Eulogy

# 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

# Ecclesiastes Ch 3 vv 1-8

# To everything there is a season

To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck that what is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal; A time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak:

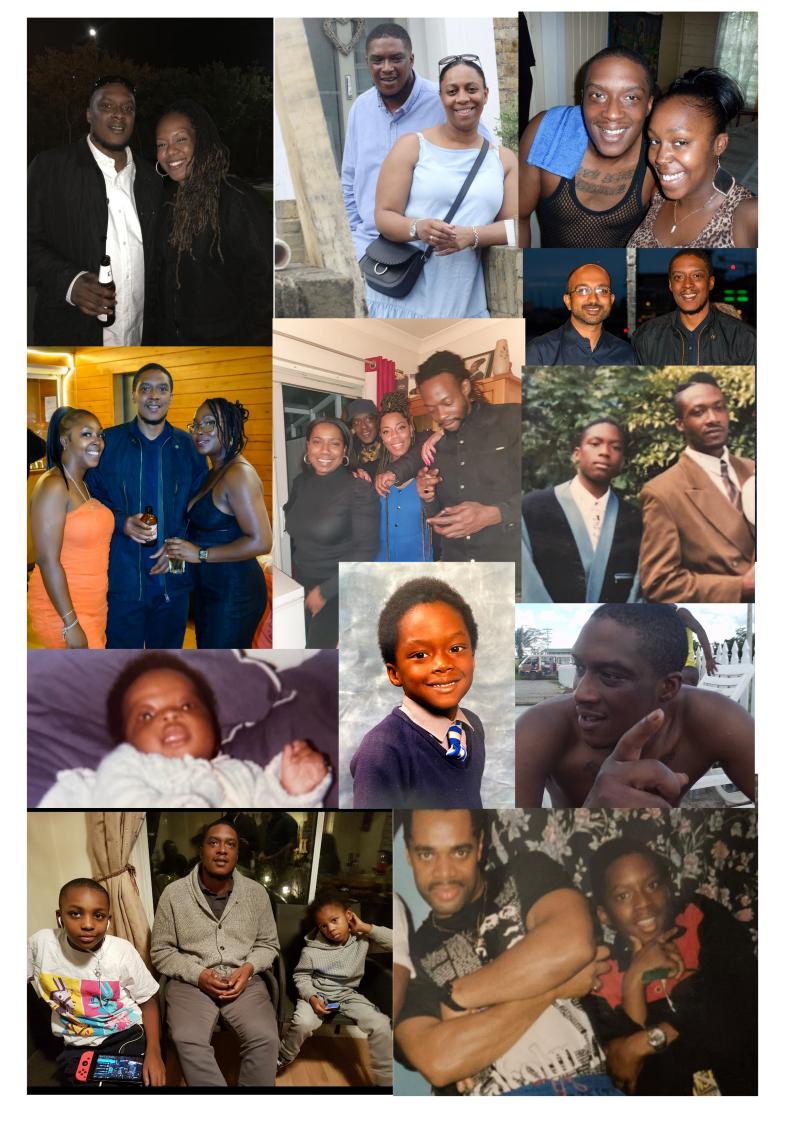
A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. What do people gain from the efforts they make? I contemplate the task that God gives humanity to labour at.

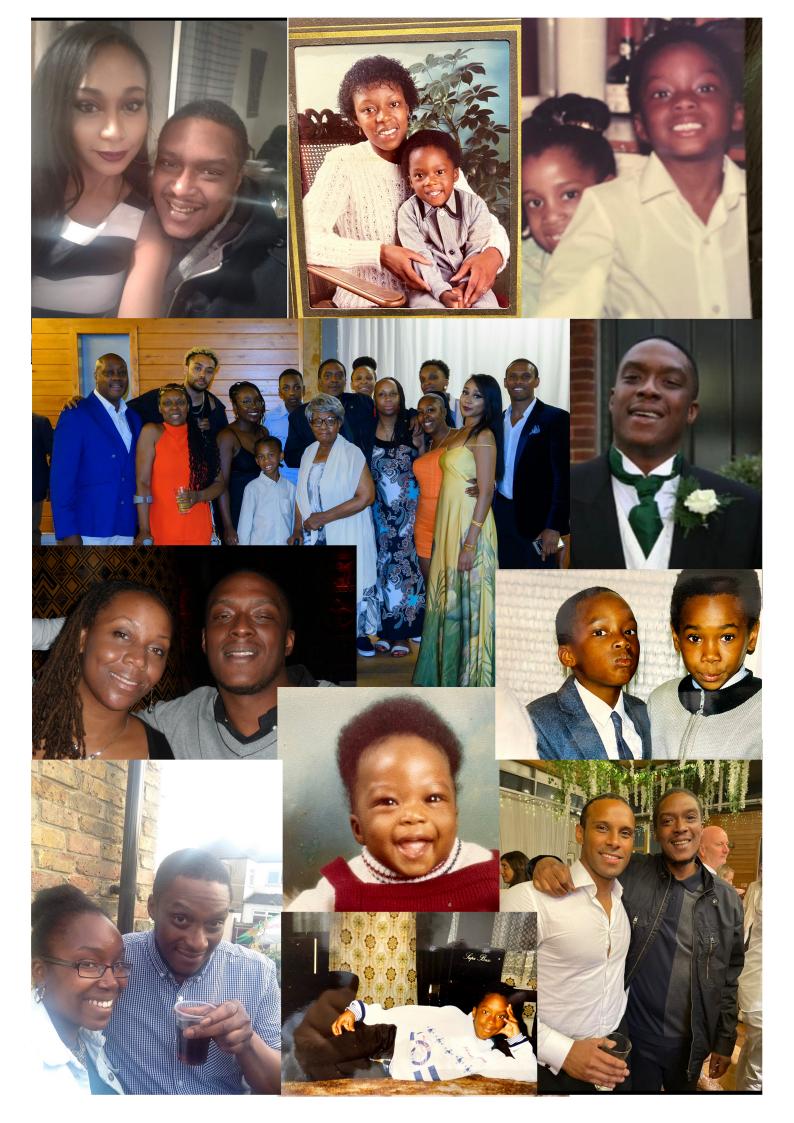
All that he does is apt for its time; but although he has put infinity into our hearts, we can grasp neither the beginning nor the end of what God does I know there is no happiness for a human being except in pleasure and enjoyment of life.

And when we eat and drink and find happiness in our achievements, this is a gift from God.

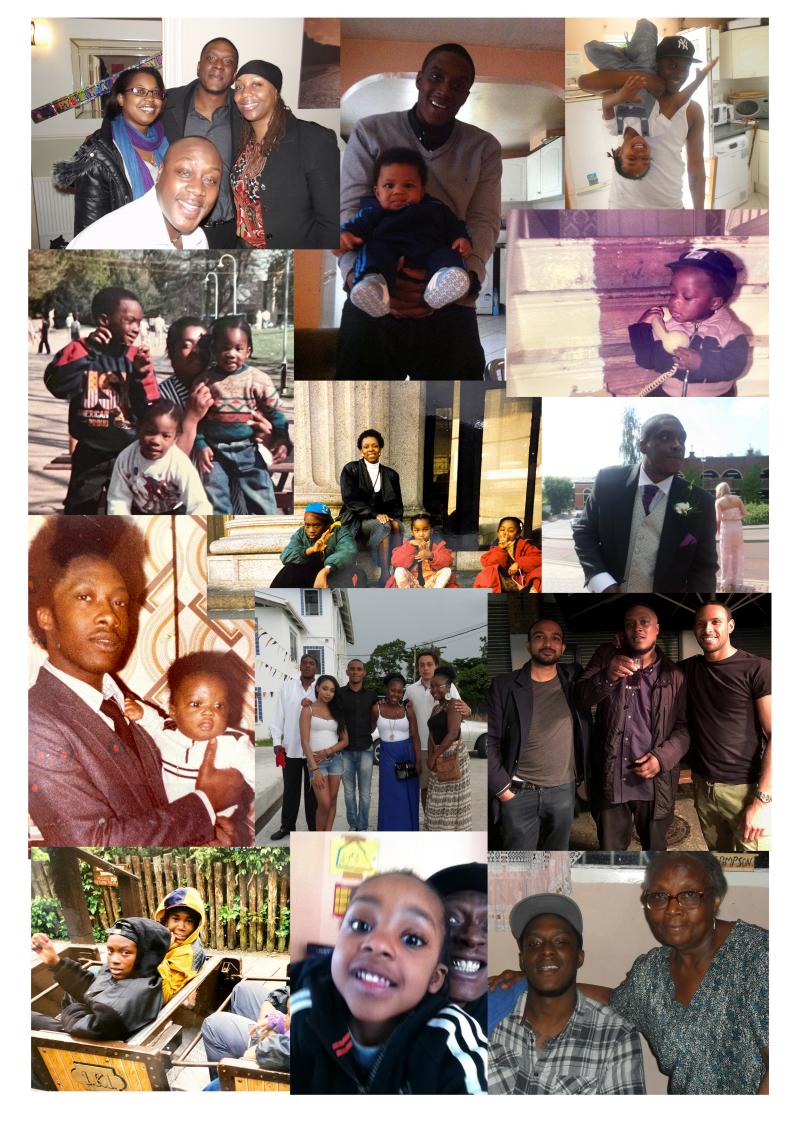
I know that whatever God does will be for ever.

Amen









# Hymn: Amazing Grace - Solo

#### Jermain Jackman

#### Tributes

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

#### St John's Gospel Ch. 14 vv1-6

#### Do not let your hearts be troubled

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also And you know the way to the place where I am going' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way? Jesus said to him, 'I am the Way the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me'.

Amen

#### Hymn: How great thou art!

O LORD my God! When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works thy hand hath made I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then signs my soul, my Saviour God, to thee How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill y heart! And I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

# Commendation

Exit Music: Incredible, General Levi

# **The Witter Family**

Mrs May Witter (Grandmother), Palmela Witter (Mother), Victoria and Whitney Witter (Twin Sisters), Josephine Edwards (Sister), Jamal Witter-Laidley (Nephew), Kayden Witter-Legister (Nephew), Matthew Witter (Cousin/Canada), Lucky Perera-Witter (Cousin/USA), Ryan Witter (Cousin), Tim 'Father Stretch', Shez Annon (Sister-in-Law), Chantal St Louis (Sister), Daniel Catelinet (Cousin), Deborah Witter (Aunt), Roy Witter Jr (Uncle), Samuel Baafi (Brother-in-Law), Owen Lynch (Uncle), Aubrey Sam (Uncle), The Jones Family, The Sampson Family UK/USA/France/Barbados/Guyana), The Austin Family (UK/USA/Guyana/Canada), The Perera Family

# The Edwards Family

Coren Edwards (Aunt), Troy, Shanice, Lamar Edwards (Cousins), Steve Edwards (Uncle), Amaar Edwards (Brother), Tamsin Edwards (Sister), Mary Dantzie (Aunt)

# **Support Friends & Donations to:**

Saving Souls Football Club Sickle Cell & Thalassaemia Society Epilepsy Society

# Family & Friends Far & Wide

We would like to extend our thanks and heart felt appreciation to you all for your prayers, sympathies and support at this very difficult time.

We wish we could name you all, but you know who you are - the list is endless!





Committal: 1:30pm - Brockley Cemetery Brockley Grove, London SE4 IDZ

Refreshments: 4:00pm-10:00pm St Laurence Church Hall, 37 Bromley Road, Catford London SE6 2TZ