



Mr. Tewedros Z. Ghebresselasie

February 19, 1957 - April 27, 2014

Tewedros Zenaghebriel Ghebresselasie, the eldest son of Mr. Zenaghebriel Ghebresselasie and the late Mrs. Gimja Kassa, was born on February 19, 1957, in Afelba, Eritrea. "Teddy," as he was known to many, comes from a big family including four brothers and two sisters, Kiflemariam, Asgodom (deceased), Feshaye, Issak, Negiste and Simret.

Tewedros peacefully departed this earthly life on Sunday afternoon, April 27, 2014, in the Harrisburg Pinnacle Health Hospital, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Tewedros, from a previous marriage to Mrs. Alemtsehai Maharia, was blessed with five children, Yordanos, Daniel, Ariam, Biniam and Liya.

Tewedros, age 57, lived at 1441 Zarker Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He completed high school in Adi-Keih, Eritrea in 1974. In 1977, he started his career as the Paralegal Secretary in Adi-Keih, Eritrea. In 1983, he was promoted to prosecutor and worked in Adi-Keih, Segnaiti, Dekemhare, Mendefera, Karen and Asmara. Tewedros played professional soccer in various cities of Eritrea and was well known for being one of the best defenders. Tewedros was very well known for his leadership on the soccer field and many strived to compete with his speed and agility.

In 1996, Tewedros accompanied by his family migrated to the United States of America and settled in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Tewedros was later remarried to Mrs. Zegewieni Mebrahtu in 2010. They very much enjoyed each other's company and were happily married for the last four years.

Tewedros was employed by Patton Picture Company, Mechanicsburg,

Pennsylvania, and worked there since 2003. He was previously employed by Excel and the US Postal Service. He was much respected in his workplace and looked upon for guidance.

Tewedros, due to his passion in serving his community, had served as an Eritrean Community of Harrisburg Board Member. He was also involved in local Eritrean-Community Affairs in the diaspora and most recently made great strides in establishing an Eritrean Orthodox Church with his fellow country people in the Greater Harrisburg Area. Tewedros was a beloved member of the Eritrean Community and could frequently be found volunteering in various programs and activities when needed.

Tewedros Zenaghebriel Ghebresselasie leaves to cherish his memory his spouse, Mrs. Zegewieni Mebrahtu; five children, Yordanos, Daniel, Ariam, Biniam, Liya; and two adorable grandchildren, Yaphet and Senay.

Lovingly Submitted, The Family

Funeral service will be held from 9 to 11 a.m., Saturday, May 3rd, at St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church, 1701 State Street, Harrisburg, with family visitation beginning at 11 a.m. Mr. Ghebresselasie will be interred in Asmara, Eritrea.