



Clarence Alexander Scarborough

November 26, 1944 - July 3, 2003

Clarence Alexander Scarborough, affectionately known as Skip, was born to the late Clarence Shelby Scarborough and Margie Scarborough-Green on November 26, 1944 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He received his early education in the Los Angeles City College, and the California Institute of the Arts where he met and married Norma Douglas. To their union was born two beautiful children, Marc and Relana. While attending the University of California, Los Angeles-Medical School of Respiratory Therapy, Skip was challenged to become a therapist or quit by one of his supervisors. This challenge was the propulsion into his professional musical career. Skip was asked to co-write a song for the Friends of Distinction entitled Love or Let Me Be Lonely. From there, Skip's creative gift of songwriting opened the door for him to work with the group Creative Source. This established the first of many productions that contributed to his decision to make music his full time career. During his career that spanned over 36 years, Skip received numerous awards, including the prestigious Grammy for the songs he wrote and produced on various artists. While vacationing in Hawaii, Skip found a Four Spiritual Laws track under the bed in his hotel room. After reading the pamphlet, it was the source that caused him to make the decision to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior. Skip later confirmed his belief publicly under the leadership of the late Dr. E. V. Hill and became a member of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church. During his tenure at Mt. Zion, Skip was active in the witnessing ministry, attended Sunday school on a regular basis, and

was a graduate of the Orientation Department and the World Christian Training Center. While at Mt. Zion, Skip became acquainted with and later married Alton McClain. To this union was born, their lovely daughter, Candace. In 1988, Skip and Alton relocated to Owings Mill, Maryland. Where he later became actively involved in the music ministry and served on the Board of Directors at The Place of Grace, where his friends David and Althea Franklin are the pastors. Skip had a special gift in touching the lives of people. These he touched could feel his abounding love and faith he had in Jesus the Christ. He had the wonderful ability to make everyone feel like a friend. Peacefully, quietly, our Skip passed away, to a bright and everlasting day; God's glory shines all around him; He has peace; O blessed peace, forever more. Clarence "Skip" Scarborough leaves to mourn his wife, Alton; son, Marc; daughters, Relana Flores and Candace; daughter-in-law, Tanya; son-in-law, Kurt; his mother, Margie Green; his brother, Albert Smith; sisters, Yvonne Brooks, Gwen Parker, Debra Lucas and Cheryl Smith; sister-in-law, Maxine Smith; brother-in-law, George Lucas; grandsons, Dayaan, Jadon, Isaiah; granddaughter, Maya and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, other relatives and friends.

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“ SKIP'S MUSIC WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE PEOPLE FOREVER. I KNOW IT HAS INSPIRED ME.##imported-begin##Tim Watts##imported-end##

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“ We know that Skip is in GOD's house and many hearts. Our prayers are with you. Maria & Joslyn Jackson Starvis##imported-begin##Joslyn J. Starvis##imported-end##

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“ Skip's Music will Live Forvever More...##imported-begin##Lord Before Us Productions##imported-end##

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“ Skip you have been an inspiration to all of us who were known as your friends!!! I personally can say that you have had a great impact on my life in how I show acts of kindness toward other's. When I grow up I want to be like Skip!!! I know that you have already written new songs in heaven that have gone platinum. Alton you are truly the greatest!!! My love and prayers continue to be with you!!!
Dave###imported-begin##David C. Parlette###imported-end##

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