

In Loving Memory of
Christeen Blain

Sunrise
September 9, 1932

Sunset
June 15, 2010



Service

Saturday, June 26, 2010 - 10:00 a.m.

LEBENON BAPTIST CHURCH

20 High Street

Westwood, New Jersey

Rev. Michael Emory, Interim Pastor

Rev. Cedric J. McKoy, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Christeen (Fulmore) Blain was born September 9, 1932 in Lake City, South Carolina to Millie Olivia Daniels and Gus Fulmore. She was raised by her mom and stepfather, Hezekiah Daniels. Christeen was the eldest (and only girl) of four children with brothers, George Fulmore, Timothy Daniels and James Daniels.

Christeen attended the Lake City School system completing a 9th grade education level. She then opted to work to help the family, enduring many hard years working in the fields of the south for substandard wages and under deplorable conditions. She was a member of the Mount Beulah United Methodist Church. On November 7, 1953, Christeen was married to David Z. Blain. Born to this union were three children, Mearlyn, Rodney and Nina. David looking for a better way for his wife and family ventured to New Jersey to seek out a "New Life". So in May of 1964 Christeen followed and moved to Westwood, NJ. The day after mother's day she sought employment at Westwood Laundry and Cleaners and was hired on the spot starting work the same day. She loved to tell the story of how her first pay check was \$29.00 for the week! She retired in 1988 to care for her granddaughter who was born premature. Approximately three years later, she started working part time in Valley Health Care Center (Care One) of Westwood in the dietary department. She worked for two years until medical problems forced her to retire fully.

Christeen (Chrissy) was an active member of the Lebanon Baptist Church Westwood, NJ. She was a founding member of the LBC Gospel Chorus, President of the Senior Usher Board and member of the Women's Ministry and Missionary Ministry.

Christeen was best known for her kind, gentle, spirit and loving heart. She had a love for God that never wavered. Her favorite songs were "Do You Know The Man" and "I'm Bound for Mount Zion". Family and friends alike would gather around every Sunday for her southern style cooking. To say she will be missed is an understatement.

She was predeceased by her daughter, Mearlyn Majette.

She departed this life to be with her Heavenly Father early Tuesday morning, June 15, 2010 at the Valley Hospital Ridgewood, NJ.

She leaves to mourn: her loving husband of fifty-six years, David Blain; son, Rodney O. (Avery) Blain of Staten Island, NY; daughter, Nina N. Lewis of Westwood, NJ; four grandchildren, Terrod Bailey of NC, Nia Lewis, Karimah Majette and William Lawro of Westwood, NJ; one goddaughter, Celestine Alston of Westwood, NJ; godson, James Frierson of Teaneck, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends too numerous to mention.

Order of Service

Processional Family & Clergy

Invocation Rev. Cedric McKoy

Hymn of Praise Pg 514 "Jesus The Light Of The World"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 27:1-5,13-14

New Testament Phil 3:12-21

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Ms. Ann Thompson

Remarks Family: Deaconess Celeste Alston
Church: Minister Belinda Howard
Ministers of the Pulpit

Selection Ms. Ann Thompson

Acknowledgements

& Reading of Obituary Deaconess Janice Johnson

Selection Mr. Adderly Wilson

Message of Comfort Rev. Cedric McKoy

Recessional Lead by Funeral Directors

Selection Pg 122 "Blessed Quietness"

Interment

Westwood Cemetery
Westwood, New Jersey

Footprints

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD. When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life. This really bothered her and she questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me." The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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