Surrise February 7, 1932

Sunset June 29, 2010 Bennie Mae Cotton

> Service Friday, July 9, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

Homegoing Service

for

HEARD A.M.E. CHURCH 310 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Vernon H. Peters, Pastor

## <u>Obituary</u>

**Bennie Mae Cotton** was born on February 7, 1932 in Calhoun County, Georgia, daughter of Jamcie Hightower Cotton and Jessie Lee Cotton. Educated in Georgia, she graduated in 1950 from Arlington Vocational High School.

At an early age, she joined the Tennell Chapel A.M.E. Church in Edison, Georgia where she served diligently for many years.

Ms. Cotton moved to Newark, New Jersey where she resided before moving to Roselle in 1971.

Ms. Cotton had been employed as a seamstress for C & T Dress Company in Newark, New Jersey from 1956 until she retired in 1979. After her retirement, she devoted much of her time to helping and caring for other people.

Bennie Mae Cotton departed this life on Tuesday, June 29, 2010 at Trinitas Regional Medical Center in Elizabeth, New Jersey at the age of 78.

She was predeceased by her father, Jessie Lee Cotton.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: a daughter, Gina Cotton of Irvington, NJ; her mother, Jamcie Cotton of Arlington, GA; five sisters, Versie Lee Sanders and Mary Lee Scott both of High Point, NC, Lillian Robinson (William) of Linden, NJ and Lula Cox and Havanah Bailey (Melvin) both of Atlanta, GA; six brothers, Timothy Lee Cotton (Elizabeth) of Castle Hayne, NC, Linear Cotton of San Antonio, TX, Jesse Lee Cotton, Jr. (Josephine) of High Point, NC, James Henry Cotton (Hilda) of Arlington, GA, William Cotton (Michelle) of Decatur, GA and Donald Cotton (Johnette) of Simpsonville, Kentucky; a godson, Steven Blair of Lithonia, GA; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

'Tis hard to break the tender cord When love has bound the heart. 'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words, "We must forever part."

Dear loved one, we have laid thee In thy peaceful graves embrace, But thy memory will be cherished Until we see, in Heaven they face.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully, The Family Order Of Service

Processional

Organ Prelude

A Parting View

Hymn

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Hymn

Eulogy ...... Rev. Vernon H. Peters

Recessional

<u>Interment</u> Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To: G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC 206 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, NJ 07203 www.ggwoodyfuneralhome.com

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Pall Bearers Family and Friends of **Bennie Mae Cotton** 

There comes a time for all of us When we must say good-bye But faith and hope and love and Trust can never, never die. Although the curtain falls at last Is that a cause to grieve? The future's fairer than the past If only we believe And trust in God's eternal care-So when the Master calls Let's say that life is still more fair Although the curtain falls.

## <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of **Bennie Mae Cotton** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.