

<u> The Obituary</u>

Anna Louise Owens was born on October 10, 1926 in Newark, New Jersey. She died on July 14, 2010, at Retreat Hospital in Richmond, Virginia at the age of 83.

Anna was raised in Newark, New Jersey. She was the third of four children born to Anna and Alexander Webb. She met and married John W. Owens and produced two children from their union. She also had a son from a previous marriage.

Anna moved from Newark and came to live in East Orange, New Jersey in 1967 where she raised her family. She was a successful entrepreneur and the owner, along with her husband John, of Anne's Delicatessen in East Orange. Upon her husband's death in 1982, Anna successfully ran the business until her eventual retirement in 1991. She lived in East Orange until she moved to Richmond, Virginia to live with her daughter and youngest son.

A dedicated mother, Anna enjoyed spending time with her children serving tirelessly as the matriarch of her family. She was a strong female role model to all that she came into contact with throughout her adult life. She was also a fierce advocate for quality education and meaningful work opportunities for developmentally disabled children and adults.

Anna was predeceased by her husband, her parents and her siblings, Rosalie Williams, Faustina Foxworth and William Webb.

She leaves her children, daughter, Jo-Ann and sons, Daniel and George Bernard with fond memories to cherish of their beloved mother.

She will be dearly missed by her children, family and friends.

Those we love remain with us for love itself lives on, and cherished memories never fade because a loved one's gone. Those we love can never be more than a thought apart, for as long as there is memory, they'll live on in the heart. ~Mary Alice Ramish

In Loving Memory, The Owens Family

Funeral Mass

Welcome & Blessing of the Body Processional - Clergy & Family Liturgy of the Word Scripture Reading - Wisdom 3:1-9 **Responsorial - Psalm 23** Scripture Reading - Revelation 14:13 Gospel Acclamation (Sung) Gospel - Matthew 5:1-12 Homily Prayer of the Faithful Liturgy of the Eucharist Offertory Hymn Gift Bearers Holy, Holy, Holy The Lord's Prayer Sign of Christ Peace Communion Hymn Meditation Hymn - "How Great Thou Art" Final Commendation **Recessional Hymn**

Interment

Glendale Cemetery Bloomfield, New Jersey

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Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown



The Owens Family would like to express their deepest gratitude and appreciation for all of the love, kindness and thoughtful gestures that have been bestowed upon them during this time of bereavement. May God Bless You!

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