

*In Loving Memory  
of*

A portrait of an elderly African American woman, Rose May Hedgespeth. She is wearing a blue turban and a white top with a colorful floral pattern. She has a gentle smile. In the background, a faded, larger version of her face is visible.

*Rose May Hedgespeth*

**Sunrise**  
*October 31, 1930*

**Sunset**  
*August 5, 2010*

Wednesday, August 11, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ 07112

*Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr., Officiating*  
**Timothy Rawls, Organist**

## *Obituary*

On Thursday, August 5, 2010 at age 79, **Rose “Mary” Hedgespeth** departed this life 8:02 p.m. at Beth Israel Hospital.

She was born **Rose May Perry** on October 31, 1930 in Nutley, NJ to the late Willie and Alva Lee Perry.

**Rose** attended Essex County College for nursing and worked as an Home Health Aide with Chr-ill Agency for six years. She also worked at various other jobs until she became disabled in 1994. She loved cooking her fried chicken, greens and potato salad, but her favorite beverage was coffee. We can hear her now asking, “do you got any coffee?”

She was predeceased by nine siblings her three sisters, Cordelia Wilson, Emily Jones and Marie Mason, her six brothers, William, Leroy, Harry, George, Elisha and Earl and five children, Tina, Robert, Ophelia, William and Randell Hedgespeth.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her six children, Barbara, Eric, Alverlee, Frizzelle and Mark Hedgespeth, Debra Denson and her son-in-law, Jihad Muhammad; her only brother, Charles Perry; twenty-three grandchildren and thirty seven great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and dear friends. She will be missed!

# *Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgement

Selection

Obituary

Eulogy ..... Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr.

Recessional



**Interment**

Glendale Cemetery  
Bloomfield, New Jersey

*Somewhere the sun is shining  
Through mists of hazy blue  
Somewhere there is no sorrow  
And hearts are happy and true  
Somewhere there is no parting  
Somewhere there is no pain  
Somewhere loved ones are waiting  
To greet us once again.  
And though beyond our understanding  
We will put our hearts at rest  
Somewhere in all His wisdom  
A loving God knows best.*

**Lovingly Submitted,  
~The Family~**



*Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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