

In Loving Memory of



Magnolia Singleton

Sunrise
November 28, 1917

Sunset
October 13, 2010

Monday, October 18, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Minister Lee Arrington, Officiating
Bobby Arrington, Organist

Obituary

Magnolia Patterson Cornelius Singleton was born in Dublin, Georgia on November 28, 1917. She was the last born to Louella and Henry Patterson, making the Patterson family a total of nine at her birth. “Mag” as she lovingly was called by family and friends, was a fun loving child and the youngest of the Patterson crew. At a very young age, her family moved to Jacksonville, Florida. At the age of seventeen, she fell in love and married Hartwill Cornelius. From this union six children were born. Gloria Louise, Carol Jean, Elvira Estelle, Shirley Ann, Sandra Elaine and Hartwill Cornelius.

Hartwill Sr.’s job transferred him to New York City. Hartwell and Magnolia later separated and divorced, but that did not stop “Mag” from raising her six children alone with strength, integrity and love for one another. “Mag” started working for a local clothing store called State Department Store on 125th Street for a number of years, and then moved on to “Empire Uniform Store”. “Mag” stayed with Empire until she retired. “Mag” was very popular with the customers; admired by the storeowner for her quick wit, friendly personality and down home southern hospitality.

“Mag’s” was baptized at Southern Baptist Church and instilled the same spiritual love into her children. “Mag” loved people and enjoyed making people happy; and wherever she went people knew her for her good ways and her stern upbringing to her children. “Mag” surrounded herself with people like herself and became part of a small club that charted dances and trips for people in the community. Because of her beautiful outlook on life and her treatment of kindness to people, she was well respected and her children were protected in the community they lived in. “Mag” later met and married her soul mate Frank Singleton and for the next ten years lived a content and happy life, returning to Jacksonville, Florida. “Mag” returned to New York City a little before her beloved Frank went home to his Maker.

“Mag” touched many lives and will be missed. WE LOVE YOU AND WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH. She leaves to mourn: four living children; eighteen grandchildren; thirty-seven great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

LOVINGLY SUBMITTED,
THE FAMILY

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy Minister Lee Arrington

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

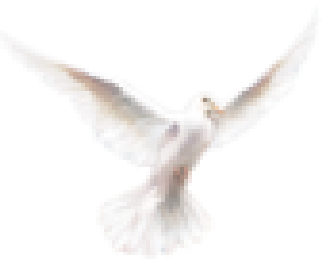


Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park
Pinelawn, New York



Don't



*Don't spend too much time in mourning,
Tears are for the sad;
I left to be with Jesus
And this should make you glad.
Don't waste your hours in grieving,
No need to feel distress;
I'm tired of life's frustrations
And had to get some rest.
Don't puzzle yourself with questions
Or try to reason why
Life here for me was ended,
It came my time to die.
Don't lose the love I gave you
Feed it with your care;
Grow it with devotion
And spread it everywhere.
Don't fret because my leaving
Came in such a way;
We'll have another meeting
In God's eternal day.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.



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