

In Loving Memory of

Annie Lou Thomas

"Plunk"

Sunrise

February 23, 1932

Sunset

October 24, 2010



Service

Friday, October 29, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

SEMINARY BAPTIST CHURCH

193-201 Haledon Avenue

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Alfred Steele, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Annie Lou (Howard) Thomas seventy-eight, was born to the late Emmanuel and Lucious Howard on February 23, 1932 in Cochran, Georgia. She received her education in the Cochran, GA School system. At an early age she accepted Christ as her personal Savior and joined Piney Grove Baptist Church, Cochran, GA. Annie was a Godly daughter and was very helpful to her family.

In 1949, she met and married the late Tommie J. Thomas and from this union four children were born. In 1955, she moved to Cincinnati, OH and in 1962 the family relocated to Paterson, New Jersey. After relocating to Paterson, NJ she joined Canaan Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Gadson L. Graham.

Annie worked for Barnet Memorial Hospital in Paterson for thirty-two years as a dietary aide before retiring in 1997. After retirement she relocated to Augusta, GA with her daughter and son-in-law and there she joined the Strong Tower Christian Fellowship Church of Augusta, GA under the leadership of Rev. Holland. She really enjoyed her new Church Family and Friends and attended church faithfully until her illness prevented her.

Annie was an avid reader, she enjoyed doing cross-word puzzles, watching soap operas and loved caring for her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was famous for her baked chicken and stuffing, collard greens and banana pudding.

Annie was predeceased by her loving husband, Tommie Jay Thomas, devoted daughter, Carolyn L. Deas, granddaughter, Asia Streets, four brothers, one sister and son-in-law, Moses Wilborn.

After a brief illness, early Sunday morning, October 24, 2010 God wrapped Annie in his loving arms and took her home from labor to reward.

She leaves to cherish loving memories: two daughters, Linda Wilborn of Paterson, NJ and Glenda Faye Thomas of Augusta, GA; one son, Samuel "Skeet" Thomas (Dale) of Paterson, NJ; two sisters, Lillie Mae "Polly" Lawson (Adele) of Macon, GA and Marie Burns of Cochran, GA; five grandsons, Anthony, Gerald "Travis" McDougald, Michael Deas (Leah) and Trevor Thomas all of Paterson, NJ, Brian Deas (Crystal) of Atlanta, GA; four granddaughters, Dierdre Curry (Mark) of Atlanta, GA, Tameika Murphy of Augusta, GA, Karen McDougald of Paterson, NJ and Nekeia Colcloughly (DelShawn) of Prospect Park, NJ; thirteen great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; Ora Jane Bell was like a daughter; one son-in-law, Ralph Deas of Augusta, GA; brothers-in-law, Willie and Howard Thomas of Cincinnati, OH; sisters-in-law, Dollie Howard of Atlanta, GA, Celestine Thomas, Bessie Howard of Cincinnati, OH, Elizabeth Galimore of Cochran, GA and Bonnie Windley of Paterson, NJ. She also leaves a host of family, friends and church family.

Order of Service

Prelude

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Billie McDougald

New Testament 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Alex Robinson

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Ronald Artis

Solo Brenda Mickens

Remarks Limits 2 Minutes

Acknowledgements

& Reflections of Life Ora Jane Bell

Solo Brenda Mickens

Words of Comfort Pastor Alfred Steele

Final Viewing

Recessional Family and Friends

Final Disposition

Cedar Lawn Crematory

Paterson, New Jersey

Come To Me

*God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered "Come to me"
The days of toil and nights of pain
The weary hours have passed
The patient gentle worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Day and night we stood by her
And saw her in pain,
Anxiously awaiting her cure
But our waiting was in vain.
God who knoweth all things best
Eased her suffering, gave her rest
She is gone but not forgotten,
Never will our memories fade
Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger
Round the place where she rests.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

*The family of Annie Lou Thomas 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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