

In Loving Memory of
Bessie Jane McAllister



Sunrise
October 3, 1942

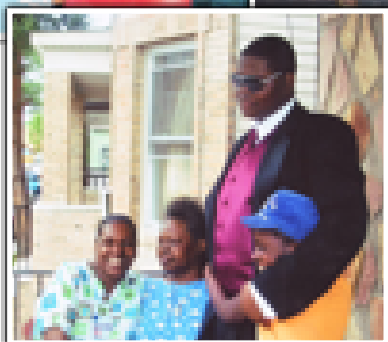
Sunset
October 25, 2010

Monday, November 1, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

1066 Bergen Street
Newark, New Jersey 07112

Rev. Phillip A. Gilmore, Sr., Officiating



Precious Memories

Reflections of Life

Bessie Jane McAllister was born October 3, 1942 to Callie McAllister Rogers and the late Joe Rogers in Wilson County. She was the eldest of eight children. She departed this life on October 25, 2010.

She worked alongside her mother, until she felt it was time for her to leave home and find a better paying job to help supply for her younger siblings. She would buy school clothes for all of them, and anything else she could, and would never ask for anything in return. She helped raise some of her nieces, Kelly Rogers, as well. She loved her family. Bessie attended Wilson County School.

She was employed at Woodbridge Departmental Center until she retired. Bessie loved her job and her co-workers and she made many friends, young and old. She attended St. John Community Baptist Church and was a faithful usher member until her health began to fail. When she could visit North Carolina, she would attend Contending For The Faith with her family. She thought of Pastor Damieon Royal as her pastor as well.

She lost her son, Gregory Morris Caine, and his daughter, Vernita Desmith. These losses put a heavy burden on her heart. She was also preceded in death by one sister, Carolyn.

She leaves to cherish her memories: a daughter, Schnell Hall; one son-in-law, Rasan; a step-daughter, Felecia Brown-McQueen; four grandchildren, Troy Kilpatrick, Danny Kilpatrick, Rasan Hall, Jr., and Jasmine Hall; one great grandchild, QuaMar Desmith; one god-daughter, Mary Gilchrist; her mother, Callie Rogers; two brothers, Lenny Rogers and Timothy Rogers (Ann); four sisters, Alice Watson, Tillie Isler, Brenda Dew (Robert) and Joyce Rogers; one uncle, Lester Rogers (Betty); three nieces, Kelly, Jaclyn and Lynette; three nephews, Keith, Rashon and Michael; five great nieces, Marquita, Jasmine, Kourtney, Taviyonna and Amari; three great nephews, Chretwon, Jaily and Kahlil; one great-great niece, Bianca; three great-great nephews, Raleek, Jamir and Jah'Kavion; and a host of other relatives and friends and one very dear friend, Willie Mae Parker.

Tribute To My Mom

*Mom your life was full of loving deeds.
Forever thoughtful of our special needs.
Today, Tomorrow and my whole life through
I will always love and cherish you.*

*Those we love remain with us
for love itself lives on
and cherished memories never fade
because a loved one's soul is gone.*

*Those we love can never be
more than a thought apart.
For as long as there are memories
they will live on in our hearts.*

~ Submitted by, Schnell Hall ~



Order of Service

Processional

Prayer of Comfort Minister

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Selection Rochelle

Acknowledgement of Cards

& Obituary Kelly Rogers

Selection "I Won't Complain"
Brian Cook

Remarks Sis. Laura Uzzell

Selection

Eulogy Rev. Philip A. Gilmore, Sr.

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

*Friends are invited to join the family for the repast
held at St. John's Community Baptist Church.*

To Those I Love

*To those I love and those that love me,
When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I travel alone
So grieve for a while for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you so soft and clear
And then, when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say,
"Welcome Home."*

-Author unknown

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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