

<u>Obituary</u>

On Saturday, November 20, 2010, God saw fit to pluck one of His precious flowers from the Garden of Life.

Shirley was born May 28, 1922 to the late Hezekiah Jones and Mildred Barnes in New York City. She was one of five children. Frederick Barnes, Gwendolyn King and Sadie Jones have preceded her in death. She attended New York City Schools.

At an early age, Shirley accepted Christ as the Union Baptist Church of New York City. Later on in life, she joined Shiloh Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Lesile E. Wainwright. She was a member of the Willing Workers Ministry. Every Sunday you could count on Sister Minor to have on a fabulous hat adorned with feathers or flowers.

December 4, 1948, Shirley married the late John G. Minor. From this union two children were born, Mildred and George.

In 1963, Shirley began her career in the New York City Board of Education. She retired from IS 195 in 2004. She was a very dedicated worker and was especially known for warming the hearts of her coworkers through her words of wisdom and a good cup of coffee.

She gave her heart. If you needed help she was always there to give her best and last to you.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory: her children, Mildred (Wilbur) Rush of Bronx, NY and George William II (Janice) Minor of Dover, Del.; one brother, Luther (Gladys) Hodge of Teaneck, NJ; three grandchildren, Tramayne Young-Minor, NY, Crystal and Brittany Minor of Dover, Del.; two great grands, David and Jayden; special granddaughter, Venus Simmons; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Sleep on Shirley and take your rest, we will meet you in that great getting up morning in the sweet by and by.

 \sim Sorrowfully Submitted, Your Children \sim

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind, when life is done.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude Processional The Clergy & Family Hymn of Comfort Prayer of Comfort Deacon Tom Goshea Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 91: 1-9 New Testament - Romans 4: 3-9 Selection Remarks (2 minutes each please) Family & Friends Acknowledgements Reading of Obituary Selection Eulogy Final Viewing Benediction

Interment

Recessional The Clergy & Family

Maple Grove Cemetery Hackensack, New Jersey

Give Her Back

We seem to give her back to You, O Lord Who gave her to us.

Yet as You did not lose her in giving, So we do not lose her by her return.

Not as the world gives, do You give, O Lover of souls.

What You give You do not take away,

For what is Yours is ours also if we are Yours.

And life is eternal and love is immortal,

And death is only an horizon,

And an horizon is nothing but the limit of our sight.

Lift us up, strong Son of God that we may see further;

Cleanse our eyes that we may see more clearly;

Draw us closer to Yourself

That we may know ourselves to be nearer to our loved ones who are with You.

And while You prepare a place for us, prepare us also for that happy place,

That where You are we may be also for evermore.

Amen.

Acknowledgement

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

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