

Eighty-nine beautiful loving years now back to the arms of God.

Homegoing Celebration
In Loving Memory of

Marie (Stover) Champion

The Blessings of Long life

*With the ancient in Wisdom: And in length of days
understanding with him is wisdom and strength. He
hath counsel and understanding. - Job 12:12,13*

Sunrise

September 24, 1921

Sunset

November 22, 2010

Service

Monday, November 29, 2010 - 12:00 Noon

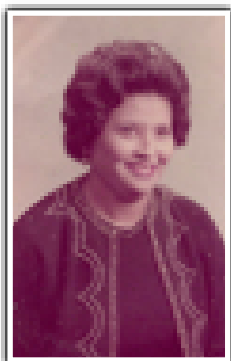
CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Rev. Gadson L. Graham, Pastor
Rev. Barry L. Graham, Officiating

*Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon
us that we shall be called the sons of God therefore the
world knoweth us not because it knoweth Him.*

Reflections of Life



Marie Stover Champion was born to Rev. Jerry Stover and Silvilla (Whitaker) Stover in Camden, Kershaw County, SC September 24, 1921.

She was educated in the local schools in Kershaw County, SC.

Mrs. Champion embraced Christ at an early age and united with the St. John Baptist Church. She would meet and later marry Vanderbilt "Vandy" Champion. This union was blessed with one daughter.

Mrs. Champion searching for better opportunities for her family migrated to Cooperstown, NY where she employed as a domestic engineer. She would later make Paterson, NJ her home. During her years of employment she was a factory worker and was employed for many years for a prominent attorney Joseph Ferrero Esq.

Marie was a humanitarian, many young ladies who came to Paterson from Camden, SC resided with her until they received their footing. She often times left her job to travel south to take care of her mother when she ill.



Mrs. Champion attended local churches until she found one that she was comfortable in that met her expectation. This was the Canaan Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ where she united under the leadership of the Rev. Gadson L. Graham. Before her illness she was an active member. She served in various positions and was always willing to serve where needed. Even when she was ill she gave of her self when needed.

Marie who was the eldest child was preceded in death by all of her siblings, three sisters, Rosa Lee, Ora Lee Stover, Mae Bell Jones, and two brothers, Albert, Jerry Stover, Jr.

She leaves to cherish precious memories: one daughter, Roberta Champion; one grandson, Adrain Lyonel Champion who was her pride and joy. She will be missed by her family and many others who knew her. Sleep on Marie and take your rest. We love you however God loves you best.

*They shall still bring forth fruit in old age;
they shall be fat and flourishing. ~Psalm 92:14*

Order of Service

Opening Hymn “Amazing Grace”
Elder R. Champion

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Bishop Willie McClam

New Testament Rev. G. Graham

Prayer of Comfort Elder R. Champion

Selection Mr. Adrian Champion

Acknowledgements

& Reflections of Life Ms. Patrice Fulwood

Remarks Family & Friends

Selection Mr. Adrian Champion

Words of Comfort Rev. Barry Graham
Assistant Pastor

Viewing Selection

Recessional



Interment

*East Ridgelawn Cemetery
Clifton, New Jersey*

Friends are invited to join the family for the repast at
540 E. 23rd St. Apt 3 • Paterson, New Jersey

The Lord is my light and my salvation whom shall I fear.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue
grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

With Love Mom

It was great having a mom as wonderful as you. You it in everything you did. You was loved, appreciated very much by both your daughter, Roberta, grandson, Adrian you are going to be missed so much love, special place in our heart.

~Your Children



Acknowledgement

*The family members of **Marie Champion** wish to express deep words of sincere thanks and our heartfelt appreciation for all acts of kindness shown during our darkest hours. Please keep them in your prayers each and everyone of you.*

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