

Home-Going Celebration

for

Laura Johnson Oliver

Of Orange

Sister - Grandmother - Friend

Sunrise

October 23, 1934

Sunset

December 21, 2010

Wednesday, December 29, 2010 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

212 Pierson Street

Orange, New Jersey 07050

Rev. Dr. James A. Johnson, Sr., Officiating

**Wednesday, December 29th 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Wake
(Church)**

Wednesday, December 29th 12:00 noon - Service (Church)

A Blessed Promise..

*"Our Family Chain has been broken and
nothing seems the same... But as God calls
us one by one, the Chain will link again.*

Dedicated from your Brother

To My Brother, My Family and My Friends

*If you can't stand a little disappointment, Sometimes
If you can't stand to be talked about, Sometimes
If you think you should always be up and never
down I want to remind you, No Cross... No Crown.*

*If you can't stand being lied upon, sometimes
If you can't stand heartaches, Sometimes
If you think you should always smile and never
frown I want to remind you, No Cross... No Crown.*

*If you can't stand being misused, Sometimes
If you can't stand when your friends let you down,
sometimes if you think you should always be up and
never down I want to remind you, No Cross...
No Crown.*

*Must Jesus bear the Cross alone and all the World
go free. There is a Cross for everyone and I know
that there is a Cross for me. So if anyone ask you
where "Laura" has gone, tell them that she has
gone up yonder to be with the Lord, for He knows
Just How Much We Can Bear..*

*Love,
Laura Oliver*

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Order of Service

- Organ Prelude..... Joshua Nelson
- Processional Clergy
- Hymn of Praise “He’s Worthy To Be Praised”
- Scripture Readings Deacon or Deaconess
Unity Baptist Church, Orange
- Old Testament Psalm 23:1-6
- New Testament I Corinthians 15:50-58
- Prayer of Comfort.... Rev. Dr. James A. Johnson, Sr., Pastor
Peaceful Zion Baptist Church, East Orange
- Selection Joshua Nelson
“Oh Lord Have Mercy”
- “My Beloved Sisters” Written and Read
by Bro. Herb Reid
- Musical Selection..... “I Won’t Complain”
Joshua Nelson
- Reflections of Life.....Mrs. S. Cuff-White, Niece
- Remarks..... Family and Friends (3 min.)
- Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. James A. Johnson, Sr., Pastor
- Recessional.....Clergy and Family
“He’s Sweet I know”

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

(Following the interment, family and friends are invited to
fellowship at a Repast in the Church Fellowship Hall)



*Momma may have, Poppa may have, but God bless the
child that has it's own Love, Chick*

Reflections of Life

Returning to the loving arms of Christ, Laura "Johnson" Oliver was born on October 23, 1934. She was the eldest of three children to the late Julia "Babe Johnson" Reid and Herbert C. Reid Sr. She was the loved and devoted wife of the late "Frank Oliver" and the cherished mother of the late "Dennis Oliver". She was the fond sister of the late Barbara J. Cuff.

Affectionately known as "Laura Mae" by many...she was called "Sis" by many...She was also called "Grandma" ...but she devoted her entire life to the two that called her "Mommy" and "Monkey" (Dennis and Frank). She loved her entire family unconditionally. She was a free spirit, who loved life and people to the fullest.

She always said that she did not want a long obituary read over her because...where she was born, that was not important. Where she went to school, that was not important to her. The honors and awards that she won or received, they were not important.

What was important was... that she tried to help somebody along the way. She tried to feed the hungry. She sat with the bereaved. She comforted the sick, She gave shelter to the homeless. That's what was important to her. Her inter-beauty shall never be extinguished. She was noted for her memories of families and their relatives. Whenever anyone wanted to trace back their family lineage or heritage, they always called on "Laura" to help them make the connection.

Strong in her faith, at a young age, she was baptized at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Orange. Then changed her membership to New Hope Baptist Church, East Orange. She received her right hand of fellowship at the Unity Baptist Church, Orange, which she cherished until her passing. She loved her Church family.

She leaves her passion and zest for life as a beacon of light to: her devoted brother, Herb C. Reid Jr.; four grandsons, Dennis Jr., Frank, Dashon and Kashon; sister-in-law, Adele R. Reid; brother-in-law, Stanley Cuff; aunt, Mrs. Etta Johnson; her longtime buddy, Mrs. Ruth Mills-Harris and devoted friends from near and afar, cousins, nieces, nephews and her church family. She was loved by all and will be truly missed by all, especially her brother.



“Through it all and by the grace of God...we made it”