

*A Homegoing Celebration
For*

"Well done, thy good and faithful servant."

Marion Evans

Sunrise

October 15, 1933

Sunset

April 3, 2011

Saturday, April 9, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

GREATER BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

305 Morris Ave

Newark, New Jersey 07108

Rev. Joe D. McClain, Pastor
Officiating

Fly On To Heaven

*Fly on to heaven, fly high, fly free, take your place with God and your long lost family. On this earth you are a sister, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and mother-in-law. You eased all our tears with your great spirit and calm hands. No more hurt, no more pain, you floated to heaven and gained **PEACE**. Even though we will miss you And it hurts more than we can stand, we know you are care free and in God's hands. Can't wait to see you again. You will always be loved and missed.*

-Author unknown



May I Go Now

May I go now

Do you think the time is right?
May I say goodbye to pain - filled days
and endless lonely nights?
I've lived my life and done my best,
an example tried to be,
So can I take that step beyond
and set my spirit free?
I fought with all my might,
but something seems to draw me now,
To a warm and lovely light.
Thank you so for loving me,
you know I love you too.
That's why it's hard to say goodbye
and end this life with you.
So hold me now just one more time
and let me hear you say,
Because you care so much for me,
you'll let me go today.

-Author unknown



Reflections of Life

Marion Evans was born to the union of the late Kelly and Rosa Smith on October 15, 1933 in Cuthbert, Georgia. She was one of fourteen Children. Marion was educated in Randolph County, Georgia. She accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age and was baptized at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Cuthbert, Georgia.

Growing up becoming a young lady, she met and later married R.C. Wallace and from this union one child was born: Milton Wallace. Later in life Marion relocated to Newark, New Jersey where she met and was united as one to James Evans, to this union one child was born: Yolanda Evans. Marion was a loving and devoted wife and a caring and supportive mother and grandmother.

Marion Evans was employed by the State Rehabilitation Hospital in Cedar Grove, NJ and later by the Newark Public Schools (Barringer High School) until her retirement in 1995.

Marion known as Sis. Evans was truly a servant of God. She enjoyed attending church and singing in the choir. In 1956 Marion became a member at New Point Baptist Church, Newark, NJ where she was a faithful member of the choir. In 1980 she moved her membership to Greater Bethel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Joe D. McClain. Marion served faithfully with the church

choir for 31 years, as the president of the Missionary Board for 14 years, and a trustee for 13 years.

Marion was a warm spirited and loving person. She had a great love for her family and church family. She could always be seen with her sister Pauline; they were each other's rock. Her love for family was expressed by her compassion and generosity. She will be dearly missed by all who know and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Evans; son, Milton Wallace; and daughter, Yolanda Johnson.

God decided He needed another rose to complete his garden; Marion Evans departed this life on Sunday, April 3, 2011 at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, NJ.

She leaves to cherish her sweet memories: step-daughter, Fannie Young (Fort Lauderdale, Florida); son-in-law, Gregory Johnson (Newark, NJ); five grandchildren, Montrel Welch (Newark, NJ), Lakeim Welch (Orange, NJ), Zaki Johnson (Junction City, Kansas), Quadir Johnson (Newark, NJ) and Evangelist Natalie Evans (Fort Lauderdale, Florida); eight great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; a devoted sister, Pauline Davis; sister-in-law, Irene Smith; brother-in-law, Ernest Holcomb; aunt, Johnnie Bell; and a host of nieces, nephews who loved their aunt Marion; other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

We have gathered here to Praise God and to witness to our faith as we celebrate the life of Marion Evans. We come together in grief, acknowledging our human loss. May God grant us grace that in pain we may find comfort; in sorrow, hope and in death resurrection.

Processional

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - I Cor. 15:51-58

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Personal Reflections

Deac. McCrory- Deacon Board

Sis. Sirman - Trustee Board

Sis. Nicholas - Missionary Board

Resolution

& Acknowledgements

Sis. Olivia Reed

Obituary

Sis. Jacy Manuel

Selection

Eulogy

Final Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Rosemount Memorial Park • Newark, NJ

Following the Homegoing Celebration friends are invited to join the family for a repast in the church dining area.

My Aunty

My aunty you were an angel,
So quickly you had to leave.
I know you're praying for me right now,
I can feel it strengthening me!
You were a God fearing woman,
A Prayer Warrior, wise and true.
It's for those very reasons
you're helping me get through!
You were my greatest fan, my aunty;
you were like my second mom.
It's the reason I'm writing this,
to thank you for all you've done.
There's memories left in my heart,
because there you'll always remain.
You will be with me through out my life,
until I see you once again!

*Missing You,
Your Special Niece
Jacy*

Acknowledgements

Although we are never quite prepared to face life's darkest hours alone, it has meant so much to us to have friends like you to share our sorrow during this time. May God's richest blessings continue for each of you.

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