

*In Loving Memory of*



*Annie Marie McRoy*

**Sunrise**

September 14, 1937

**Sunset**

July 9, 2011

Thursday, July 14, 2011

12:00 Noon

**Perry Funeral Home Chapel**

34 Mercer Street

Newark, New Jersey

*Elder Willie Moore, Officiating*

## *Loss of Mother*

Now that I am gone,  
remember me with smiles and laughter.

And if you need to cry,  
cry with your brother or sister  
who walks in grief beside you.

And when you need me,  
put your arms around anyone  
and give to them what you need to give to me.  
There are so many who need so much.

I want to leave you something --  
something much better than words or sounds.

Look for me in the people I've known  
or helped in some special way.

Let me live in your heart  
as well as in your mind.

You can love me most  
by letting your love reach out to our loved ones,  
by embracing them and living in their love.

Love does not die, people do.

So, when all that's left of me is love,  
give me away as best you can.

*~ Author unknown*



## *Reflections of Life*

**Annie Marie McKoy**, fondly known as “Sister,” was born on September 14, 1937 to the late Eddie Retha and Josh Webb in Blakley, Georgia. She entered into God’s eternal rest on Saturday, July 9, 2011 at Saint Michael’s Hospital in Newark, New Jersey.

Sister moved to Newark, NJ at an early age with her family, where she accepted Christ and she attended the Newark School system.

Sister was employed at Mattel Manufacturing Company, also at Valley Transportation, as a Driver.

Sister loved to Travel and Play Bingo.

Sister was loved by everyone who came in contact with her. She was predeceased by her loving stepfather, Mr. Healthy Rodgers, her longtime companion, Mr. Joseph Parker and her grandson, Marnell Gifford.

She leaves to wait on Christ’s coming: her beloved daughters, Annie E. Gifford, Newark, NJ and Fayette King, Hillside, NJ; seven grandchildren, Seymour, Yolanda and William Gifford, Sharonda Gifford-Amos, Lamont, April and Natasha King; twenty-two great grandchildren; three great great grandchildren; five devoted sisters, Ella Simmons, Jacqueline Rodgers, Delores Wright, Edwina Taylor-Rodgers and Georgette Rodgers; one special aunt, Ms. Odessa Batemon; life long friend, Ms. Mavis Thompson; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Sister will continue to live in each one of us, she will be remembered by her smile, her laughter and compassion for us all.

The hand of time will divide us; the hands of God will reunite us.

# *Grandma*

Thank you for the gift of love,  
now you're sharing it up above.

You had many things to say.

All in a caring way.

You always saw good in everyone,

No matter what they've done.

You were always the one we could all lean on.

Even though it must have felt like a ton.

You were always the strength of the family.

Now we must let you rest calmly.

As we say goodbye,

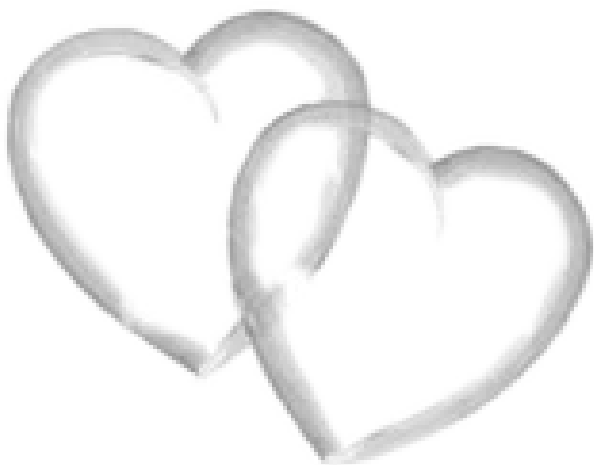
as tears roll down our eyes.

I know your place in heaven has a good view.

Because you're telling God,

I need to keep an eye on a few.

I know you will always be in our hearts and mind.



## Order of Service

Processional ..... The Family

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Solo ..... Trojah Morgan

Expressions (*two minutes please*)

Reading of the Obituary/Acknowledgments

Solo ..... Trojah Morgan

Eulogy ..... Elder Willie Moore

Recessional

### **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

*Family and friends are invited to the repast at  
1265 Roberts Street, Hillside, New Jersey.*

## *When I Am Gone*

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

### *Acknowledgements*

*The family of Annie Marie McKoy acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind acts and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you for your thoughtfulness and concerns.*

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