

In Loving Memory of

Lena Stewart

Sunrise
November 24, 1926

Sunset
September 16, 2011

Service

Thursday, September 22, 2011 - 12:00 noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Obituary

Preface: Good morning ladies and gentleman, this day we honor a woman who, like you and I, loved life. However, our calling comes not by consent but by the divine spirit who gives life. This person is my mother, **Lena Stewart**, through me I thank you for your condolences and honor you with this sentimental journey, we all as well lived.

Lena Stewart was born November 24, 1926, in Lincoln Hospital, to Mary Green Stewart and Harold Lawson Stewart. She was one of four children being the third amongst Dorothy, Harold and John, that being last of the brood to pass. Lena Stewart is survived by: two children, Raymond Stewart, the oldest and Linda Jones, her baby; also six grandchildren, Theodore, Jr., Raymond, Jr., Frank, Princess, Marlana and Elizabeth; four great grandchildren, Olivia, Jonnie, Shane and Dannon; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews and nieces. Which are, Bobby Stewart nephew, his wife, Pamela, their two children, Tiffany and Charene; sister-in-law, Evelyn Stewart; her four children, Debra, Darlene, Boredicea; and their late brother, Baron.

And that's the short version which extends to the kind of person she developed to. Her personal attributes in life were, as a cake decorator "Betty Cake Decorations", also a nanny and domesticated worker for a Jewish family in Queens and Long Island. In the years that she worked for those people, being black is nothing short of a curse. However, providing for her two children, she endured besides the hurt of racism, brutality and other onslaughts. Lena and her children survived. Also to add, during their hard times, Lena a quiet person, held her head high despite her hurt; she read newspapers and educated herself through this. Lena guided by her inner strength, she mold her outlook into self-esteem. She held nothing back, very forward when right. Moreover, she pride herself to speak out when things were wrong. Still, Lena held her head high, a woman of pride. One of her most well known sayings; quoted by her mother, "you have a long way to go yet, but a short way to travel". Yes, Lena was sharp in spite of unrecorded degree that most people pride themselves. Lena never disliked anyone, but what Lena revealed, is an honest straight forward woman.

She will be missed, she'll still be loved, and in the words of Lena Stewart, "may God and Jesus be with you everyday of your life." With love to Lena, from the Stewart family, Jones family, and the Moore family, we love you, Lena. Amen

Order of Service

Processional

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Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Eulogy

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Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day 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 the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

Acknowledgement

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

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