

*In Loving Memory
of*



Jessie Mae Rowell Simpkins

Sunrise
February 7, 1942

Sunset
January 14, 2012

Friday, January 20, 2012
Viewing ~ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
Going Home Service ~ 12:00 Noon

PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

198 Chadwick Ave. • Newark, NJ 07108

Rev. Vincent M. Rouse, Officiating

Obituary

Jessie Mae Rowell Simpkins departed this life on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at Kendred Hospital, Dover, NJ. She was born February 7, 1942. The daughter of Richard & Mary E. (Witherspoon) Rowell in Monroeville, Alabama. She was preceded in death by both parents and one sister, Elizabeth Miranda.

She attended high school in Pascagoula, MS and continued her education at Lyons Medical School in Newark, NJ. Upon graduating, she began training at St. James Hospital in Newark where she later took a job in the P.E.D. department where she worked for twenty-seven years until becoming disabled in August of 1997.

Jessie met Carl in June of 1963 and they were married on December 21, 1964.

Her honesty, love, devotion and wisdom made her an individualist in her own right. She fell in love with God and accepted Jesus as her Savior at an early age. She served in several churches before finding her home at Pleasant Grove where she served as a member and a mother of the church. She faithfully attended whenever she was able.

She will be missed and leaves behind to cherish her memory, a very loving and extended family. Her husband, Carl Sr.; two daughters, Robin (Alex) Simpkins and Gloria (Jerry) Holliday, both of Newark; one son, Carl (Lisa) Simpkins, Jr. of Jersey City; one step-son, Carl (Donna) Simpson of Birmingham, Al; two sisters, Alice (Robert) Andrews and Rita (Major) Bettis; eight grandchildren, Mary Alex Simpkins, Saffiyah, Cloretta & Courtney Holliday of Newark, Kiaphia, Kiara & Kieon Simpson of Birmingham, Alabama; two great grandchildren, Jaylen Holliday of Newark and Kiley Simpson of Birmingham, Alabama; three sisters-in-law, five brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Jessie will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, sister-in-law and dear friend of Claudia Walker, Ms. Lois Williams, Alveria Dillard and Rosalee Gray.

Order of Service

Prelude.....Musician

Vi station & Viewing.....10:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Invocation Prayer..... Rev. Vincent M. Rouse

Selection..... Mr. James Miller

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Rev. Vincent M. Rouse

New Testament - Rev. Calvin Simpson

Selection..... Mr. James Miller

Reflection..... Mrs. Doris Miller

Poem..... *Granddaughter* Cloretta

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Eulogy..... Rev. Vincent M. Rouse

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

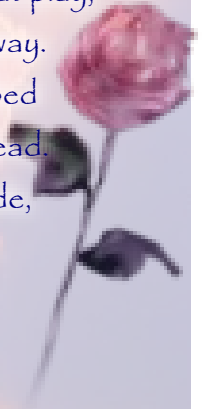
Repast

*Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church
144 Chadwick Avenue
Newark, New Jersey*

She Needed The Quiet



She needed the quiet so
God drew her aside,
Into the shadows
Where they could confide;
She needed the quiet,
Though at first she rebelled,
But gently, so gently, her cross He upheld.
And whispered so sweetly of spiritual things;
Though weakened, in body her spirit took wings,
To heights never dreamed of when active at play,
He loved her so gently He drew her away.
She needed the quiet, no prison her bed
But a beautiful valley of blessings instead.
A place to grow richer, in Jesus to hide,
She needed the quiet,
So God drew her aside.



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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