



*Homegoing Service  
Celebrating the Life  
of*

*Stephanie A. Westry*

*Sunrise: April 19, 1965*

*Sunset: March 29, 2012*

*Saturday, April 7, 2012 -3:00 p.m.*

**WOODY “HOME FOR SERVICES”**

*163 Oakwood Avenue*

*Orange, New Jersey 07050*

*Rev. Ruby Williams, Officiating*

*Sir Joshua Nelson, Organist*



### *A Mother's Love*

*A mother's love is everlasting though the flesh is gone. The memories of joy and laughter will still live on I will always miss your voice and your presence I will remember all of the times we shared. Don't worry I will move on as I get in my car listening to your favorite song, "I Got Love On My Mind" - I know life still goes on as I start my days and end my nights my mother's love will embrace me tight. Feeling your presence and knowing you're there letting me know I have nothing to fear. I will then close my eyes and squeeze real tight then I will have a good sleep.*

-Helen Steiner Rice

#### **Thoughts and Words for our Sister**

**If I could turn back time to Thursday 3/29/12 I would.**

**If I could get you to wake up, I would.**

**If I could call you and say come sooner I would.**

**I can say I could and I would, but I have no shoulds.**

**I would say Rah stop playing and get up, stop playing and wake up, stop playing, we know your not sleep. Now me, Kelly & Scuba have 1 less to argue with, 1 less to call, 1 less to complain to, 1 less to get from, 1 less to have fun, 1 less to talk about the "KIDS", 1 less to do the Beach with, 1 less to ride with, 1 less to go to just to go. Now We have Mylo staring, squatting & stalking us to do for him as you did.**

**We still have each other but it doesn't feel the same, it never will, doesn't feel right somehow; without you here with us. I'm being selfish now I know, we are not the only one's that are without you here, but we had you with us first. We have are moments, memories, secrets, shared experience and history, but that in no way comes close to the best of what we shared; your most precious gift to us, the biggest part of yourself, Aasia, Karina, Lance, Kyle and DuJuan. We will as we always did be here with them and for them as you have been for and with ours, 4Ever**

**We LOVE YOU and MISS YOU ALWAYS.**

## Obituary

**Stephanie A. Westry** was born on April 19, 1965 in East Orange, New Jersey. She was the beloved daughter of Toni M. Ugaro Westry and the late Henry Westry. On March 29, 2012 while sleeping an angel was sent to peacefully carry her to her eternal home.

Stephanie was raised in East Orange and attended grammar school there. Later she lived in Orange attending Our Lady of the Valley then returning to East Orange to Graduate from Clifford J. Scott High School. Through the years she affectingly became known as "Rashidah" or just plain "Rah" as so many referred to her. Everyone who came into her path was loved unconditionally and somehow ended up as a family member.

Growing up in the family home on Brighton Avenue was filled with great memories shared with many. If you were speaking about Dodd town or Brighton Avenue you knew Toni and her girls, Nikki, Kelly, Stephanie "Rah" and Shellie "Scuba".

Stephanie was a former employee of the City of East Orange before working for Dartcor Corporation and then the South Orange Board of Education.

Stephanie is survived by her loving children, Aasia E. Davis, Karina A. and Lance A. Whitfield, Kyle A. Westry and Dajuan Brannon Jr; mother, Toni M. Ugaro Westry; sisters, Nikki D. Drake (Kamal), Kelly A. McCoy, Shellie "Scuba" R. Hill; brother, James "Wali" F. Hill. She is also survived by her aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and a huge extended family and friends. Later Stephanie became known to the next generation as "Ti-Ti" to all of her nieces and nephews... Then carrying one more name "MA" to her precious grandchildren, Myla Long, Mi'Kiya and Milasia Weatherington, Jaqual Weatherington Jr and Kai A. Westry Rodriguez.

# Precious Memories



# Order of Service

*Musical Prelude*

*Seating of the Family*

*Hymn of Consolation* ..... “Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

*Scripture Readings*

*Old Testament- Psalm 23*

*New Testament- St. John 14:1-7*

*Solo* ..... “I Won’t Complain” Leah Wilson

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Selection* ..... “Walk Around heaven”

*Precious Memories* ..... Vicky  
Wanda  
Tracey

“Stand” ..... Donny Mclurkin

*Reflections of Love* ..... Our Friend - Lucille Patterson

“A Child Loaned” - Patricia Williams “Aunt Pat”

“I Look To You” ..... Whitney Houston

Our “Ti-Ti” - Nadya Simmons

Our Mother - Karina A. Whitfield

*Tree* ..... Rudy Walker

*Expressions from Peggy Koon* “Aunt Peggy” ..Natalie Rutledge

*A Sisters Tribute*

“Although I’m missing you”

*Obituary*

*Selection* ..... Sir Joshua Nelson

*Eulogy* ..... Rev. Ruby Williams

Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church • Newark, NJ

*Recessional*

**Following the interment friends are invited to join the family for a repast at 46 Callomere Terrace, West Orange, NJ 07052**

## *When Tomorrow Starts Without Me*

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.*

*-Author unknown*

### *Acknowledgements*

*We are eternally grateful to our many family and friends for all acts of love and kindness extended, to us during our time of bereavement. May we all remain safe in the creator's arms.*

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