

Celebrating the Life of



Donna (Dicks) Thomas

January 3, 1962 - May 5, 2012

Her Triumph

*On May 5, 2012, Donna won her fight
With Cancer.*

That's right, WON!

*She looked Cancer in
the face and said,
"I have an appointment
With my Lord and Savior,
Jesus Christ!
And I refuse to be late."*

*She turned her back to Cancer
And accepted her first class ticket
From God to Heaven.*

*Then she slowly slipped
away from us
On the morning of May 5, 2012,
But that's alright;
She won the fight.*

Please keep me and my family in your prayers.

Dorothy Dicks, on behalf of

The Family of Donna Dicks Thomas

Reflections of Life

Donna Dicks Thomas, the daughter of Dorothy Moore Dicks and Willie Dicks, was born on January 3, 1962 in Paterson, New Jersey, where she was educated and lived most of her adult life. With the exception of ten years in Plainfield, New Jersey, Donna was a Patersonian—an Eastside High School “Ghost for Life.” She was formerly married to Reginald Thomas, also of Paterson, New Jersey.

She accepted the Lord at an early age, happily acknowledged God in all things, and loved reading the Bible. Her favorite verses, Habakkuk 3:17-19, were her refrain and appropriately echo the lyrics of two songs she movingly led when she sang (for a number of years) with the young people’s choir of Grace Bible Class, Inc. When Donna led the choir in singing “I’m Grateful” and “I’m Going Up Yonder,” everyone was lifted to heaven and rejoiced in Salvation. Donna’s love of music was reflected in her powerful singing, and her love of reading was also reflected in her active membership in the Women of Color Book Club.

Before departing this life on May 5, 2012, Donna Dicks Thomas was employed by Home Depot, in Union, New Jersey. She was a valued employee, just as she was a valued friend, whose bright smile warmed many hearts. Donna was sweet and gracious, but she was tough, too. She never complained. Her strength not only inspired her family and friends, but comforted them as well. She will be sorely missed.

Donna leaves to cherish her memory: her devoted mother, Dorothy Moore Dicks, of Paterson, New Jersey; three loving siblings, Bonnie White of Roanoke, Virginia.; Willie Dicks, Jr., of Paterson, New Jersey; Stacey Cheek, of Fort Worth, Texas; three cherished aunts, Rosa Early, of Fort Worth, Texas; Janie Connor, of Washington, D.C.; Mary Harris, of Greensboro, North Carolina; a loving Godmother, Mary Williams, of East Orange, New Jersey; a supportive God brother and cousin, Brant Early, of Fort Worth, Texas; an attentive sister-in-Christ, Donna Washington Wright, of Hackensack, New Jersey; a very close and loyal friend, Stephanie Motachwa, of Maplewood, New Jersey; a host of affectionate nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Precious *Memories*



Order of Service

Service

Friday, May 11, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

GRACE BIBLE CLASS CHURCH

54 Pine Street

Passaic, New Jersey

Rev. Mark Wright, Officiating

Prelude

Opening Selection..... “Amazing Grace”
Grace Bible Class Church Choir

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Habakkuk 3:17-19 ... Minister Sam McClary
Grace Class Bible Church

New Testament - 2 Corinthians 5:1..... Pastor Durwood Bell
Greensboro, NC

Prayer of Comfort Deacon Craig Washington

Selection “The Battle Is Not Yours, It’s The Lord’s”
Pamela White

Words of Comfort Pastor Bernard Durham
Pastor, Grace Bible Class Church

Reading Jannie Connor

Selection “I Won’t Complain”
Michael Willis

Acknowledgements

& Reflections of Life Susan Wells

Selection “Going Up Yonder”
Grace Bible Class Church Choir

Eulogy Pastor Mark Wright
Asst. Pastor, Grace Bible Class Church

Recessional

Interment

Fair Lawn Memorial Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

To My Dear Brother,

Thank you so much for taking good care of me during my illness. You took me to the Cancer Treatment Center and stayed there with me for five weeks. You interceded on my behalf with the doctors and nurses. You always made sure that I was well taken care of!

Also thank you for giving me a 50th birthday party which you knew I desired so badly. Please take care of Mommy and Aunt Mary as I am leaving them in your care!

*Always remember I Love You,
Donna*

Acknowledgements

*The family of **Donna (Dicks) Thomas** extend our gratitude and love for the many acts of kindness, support and prayers during this time. Your presence here today is an encouragement to our hearts.*

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