



Home Going Service For
Jessie Taylor Webb Fenton

Sunrise
August 4, 1926

Sunset
June 11, 2012

Service

Sunday, June 17, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

191-02 Linden Blvd.

St. Albans, New York 11412

Elder David R. Fenton, Officiating

Obituary

Jessie Taylor Webb Fenton was born to James Nathaniel and Mattie (Nee Watkins) Webb on August 4, 1926 in Granville County, North Carolina. Jessie was the youngest in the family of ten children. Jessie loved the country and would recall stories of how the family enjoyed the summers and fresh produce, but endured harsh winters, having only a coal local stove for warmth. As a young girl, she migrated to Suffolk, Virginia, where elder sister, Gladys had her young family. Later they relocated to New York.

After relocating to New York, Jessie met and married John Fenton and they had two lovely daughters, Vivian and Shirley. John went to war and was honorably discharged in 1944. Jessie thrived as a stay-home-mom. She also had David (Dee) and Sylvia (Sibby) and raised her children to become outstanding citizens. Over the years, Jessie could be counted on to assist with the care of her grandchildren. She loved them all. When Sylvia passed away over twenty years ago, Jessie raised Shahara, seeing her obtain a proper education and later, supporting Shahara in her motherhood of three children.

Surviving to cherish her memory and to live out her legacy of love, compassion and kindness are: her beloved daughters, Vivian Richardson, Palm Coast, FL, Shirley Calhoun and devoted son-in-law, Welker, Medford, NY, sons, David (Vivian) Milwaukee, WI, Steven, Reginald (Joanne), St. Albans, NY.

Jessie also leaves to mourn her passing her nieces, Meola Willis, Norristown, PA, Bernice Jordan, New York, Debra Swinton, Donna, Karen, and Michelle Gilliam, and a host of relatives and friends.

It is remarkable that a simple person, who would say, ‘as long as she had a roof over head, a warm bed, some greens with a cake of cornbread, I’m contented’, affected so many. Jessie’s testament to life will live with her children (6); grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren (32); great-great grandchildren (4). She felt great joy in her family. In her middle years she enjoyed walking, tending her garden and flowers, and she was a terrific cook! She was always active in her community, working at the polls for over fifteen years. Naturally, she was proud to be witness to the election process for the first black president of the United States.

When she was no longer able to walk on her own, she looked after her neighbors and friends in the community from her winder, she will be sorely missed. Her legacy was love, her name, Mom, Mommie, Grandma, Grams, and Ms. Fenton, and simply, Jessie.

We bid farewell to Jessie, while celebrating her wonderful life.

Order of Service

Selection

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Scriptures

Mrs. Renee Hunt

Mrs. Lisa Hare

Selection

Davia Fenton

Acknowledges

Obituary

Vivian Richardson

Selection

Jahliyaih Fenton

Reflections

Eulogy

Elder David R. Fenton

Selection

Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park

Farmingdale, New York

A Heart of Gold

*A heart of gold stopped beating,
Two shining eyes at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove
He only takes the best,
God knows you had to leave us,
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day He took you home.
To some you will be forgotten,
To others, just part of the past,
But to us who loved and lost you,
Your memory will always last.*

-Author unknown

Exlibris

*I shall pass through the world
But once: any good therefore that
I can do or any kindness that I
Can show to any human being,
Let me do it now, let me not defer
Or neglect it for I shall not pass
This way again.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgements

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the
many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their
family during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!*

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