

*The Home Going Celebration of*  
*Margaret Geneva Wilson Wyatt*

Sunrise  
May 15, 1935

Sunset  
July 15, 2012



*Service*

*Saturday, July 21, 2012 - 9:00 a.m.*

**GREATER ABYSSINIAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

88 Lyons Avenue

Newark, New Jersey 07112

*Rev. Allen Potts, Officiating*

*Bro. Willie Martin, Organist*



*Our dearest and sweet Aunt Geneva,  
It seems unreal that you have gone.  
Our hearts are filled with sorrow  
And we are left to mourn.*

*Your life was a shining example  
Of faith and fortitude.  
No matter what hand life dealt you,  
You were never, ever subdued.*

*You always had kind words to say  
And a beautiful smile on your face.  
You were a fashion diva,  
With style and good taste.*

*Your husband truly loved you  
You were his Sweetie Cake.  
And the love that was between you,  
Is the kind only God could make.*

*Your family, oh how we adored you.  
You were a Blessed Light.  
You exemplified the word courage,  
And of things both good and right.*

*Aunt Gen you were loved by many.  
And you will be missed by all.  
But God is the master operator,  
And He chose to give you the call.*

*We love you Aunt Geneva. Rest in Peace. Rest in Peace.*

*Lovingly submitted by your nephew,  
Larry "Get a Life" Harper*

## *She Is Gone*

*You can shed tears that she is gone,  
Or you can smile because she lived,  
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,  
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.*

*Your heart can be empty because you can't see her.  
Or, you can be full of the love that you shared,*

*You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,  
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.*

*You can remember her and only that she is gone  
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on,  
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,  
Or you can do what she would want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.*

*Words by David Harkins*

### *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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**Whigham Funeral Home**

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*Carolyn Whigham, Director*



# Order of Service

Rev. Allen Potts, Officiating  
Bro. Willie Martin, Organist

Presiding ..... Evangelist Denise Richards

Musical Prelude..... “Give Me Jesus”

Processional

Opening Hymn ..... Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament ..... Bro. Curtis Taylor

New Testament ..... Bro. Russel Gordon

Prayer of Comfort ..... Rev. L. Thomas Richards

Solo..... Bro. Christopher Lighty

Acknowledgement/Resolution ..... Sis. Mary Hill

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Obituary/Reflection ..... Sis. Pamela Wyatt

Solo ..... Sis. Trina Campbell Drew

Eulogy ..... Rev. Allen S. Potts

Recessional

**Entombment**  
*Rosehill Cemetery*  
*Linden, New Jersey 07036*





# Obituary

## Welcome to the Home Going Celebration of Margaret Geneva Wilson Wyatt!!

Margaret was born on May 15, 1935 to Daisy Forest-Wilson and Edward Wilson in South Boston, Virginia. She was also baptized there by Rev. U.R. Booker, of the First Baptist Church. She attended Halifax High School. At an early age she realized that she enjoyed helping people. She chose to go into a career of nursing.

It was around that time that she met and was pursued by the young, handsome and determined Andrew Wyatt. They met in 1952 and were married on February 12, 1953. They had two children, Ronald and Angela. Even back then this marriage showed signs of being unique and special. After the wedding they both went back to their separate homes.

In 1956 they relocated to Newark, NJ and joined The First Baptist Church of Nutley, under Rev. Lawrence Roberts. Margaret joined Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church in 1961, under Rev. R.P. Means. She was a member of the Inspirational Choir. Recognizing that a husband and wife should worship together, she re-joined the First Baptist Church in Nutley. She came back "home" to Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church, where she has been a loyal and faithful member since 1972. She was also a member of the Educational Committee. Youth and education were important to Margaret.

One of Margaret's dreams come true was the renewing of their wedding vows and to celebrate their 50th anniversary, on May 17, 2003 with her children, grandchildren, other family members and friends participating and watching Margaret walk half way down the aisle to meet her other half. They continued that walk together as they have done for 59 years. What Margaret and Andrew shared is an inspiration to all of us.

During the early years of marriage she attended Essex County College for nursing. She did her training at Beth Israel Hospital in Newark where she worked for 12 years. She later transferred to Rahway Hospital where she worked another 25 years.

Margaret loved to travel: New Orleans, Rome, Paris, London and Hawaii were just a few of her stomping grounds.

Margaret was an old school woman of integrity; you could always expect an honest and true answer from her.

The word says "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." Early Sunday morning, July 15, 2012 at about 10:58 a.m. she closed her eyes in Rahway Hospital and opened them up in the arms of Jesus. Let knowing where she is bring peace to you today. God is too wise to make mistakes.

Margaret is predeceased by her parents: Daisy and Edward Wilson, her mother-in-law, Mary Wyatt Smith, her brother-in-law, Frank Harper and her nephew, Thomas Harper.

Left to celebrate her life: her husband, Andrew Wyatt, son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Pamela Wyatt; daughter, Angela Wyatt; son-in-law, John Haley; two sisters, Edith Adel Harper and Ruth Wilson; and a brother, Edward Wilson; niece and nephew, Shelia and Larry Harper; grandchildren, Christine, Kendall, Nicholas, Jacqueline, Brad and Christian; great grandchildren, Ezra, Jaisaan, Jayda and Malik; and a host of other family and friends.