



*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life of*

Mary Hightower

Sunrise

October 11, 1926

Sunset

July 16, 2012

Tuesday, July 24, 2012 - 11:00 am

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church

1002 Rivington Street

Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Milton A. Byrd, Pastor

Life Reflections

Mary Hightower was born on October 11, 1926 in Norwood, Georgia daughter of Jessie Chapelle. As a child, she moved to New Jersey where she was raised in Roselle and educated in the Roselle Public School System. Mary graduated from Abraham Clark High School in Roselle with the Class of 1944. She then attended Union County College in Cranford, New Jersey.

Mary retired from the U.S. Postal Service in Newark, New Jersey twenty years ago and had previously been employed as a Nurses Aide.

Mrs. Hightower was a faithful member of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Roselle where she started an Arts and Crafts Program. She enjoyed teaching people how to knit, crochet and sew, quilt and jewelry making, tatting and origami and was known for her beautiful afghans.

She was a member of the Roselle Branch of AARP since its inception and of the National Council of Negro Women. She also loved to travel.

In 1993, Mary moved to Pinewood Hall in Roselle where she enjoyed running the Early Morning Coffee Hour.

Mary Hightower departed this life on Monday, July 16, 2012 at Delaire Nursing and Convalescent Center in Linden, New Jersey at the age of 85. She was predeceased by her mother; a brother, Thomas Allen, Sr.; nephews, Gregory and Mark Allen and a sister-in-law, Marie Allen.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, a nephew, Thomas Allen, Jr. (Suzette) of Elizabeth, NJ; a niece, Melinda Allen of Roselle, NJ; a cousin, Jerry Crinshaw (Shirley) of Roselle, NJ; three great nieces and nephews, Tekki Allen (Tyrone Hamilton) of Rahway, NJ, Thomas "Tommy" Allen, III (Carletta) of Edison, NJ and Monica Allen of Roselle, NJ; five great great nieces and nephews, Quinlan, Jalil, Tamrin, Tomei and Briani Allen; her best friend, Grace Lowery; a goddaughter, Lorraine Green and a host of other cousins, relatives and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,
The Family

Order Of Service

Processional

Organ Prelude

A Parting View

Hymn

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Hymn

Eulogy..... Rev. Milton A. Byrd

Recessional



Cremation

Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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“Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through Sincere Service”

Pall Bearers

Family and Friends of **Mary Hightower**

As the sun begins to set
And the day comes to an end,
Precious memories of your life
We will cherish so deep within.

Your life was an inspiration
You touched so many lives,
And we're truly going to miss you
Through all the tears we cry.

But joy comes in the morning
Just to know you're at Heavenly rest,
With God and all His angels,
Because you were the very best.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Mary Hightower** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.

