



*A Celebration  
of Life  
for*

*Martha E. (Johnson) Berkley*

**Sunrise**  
July 2, 1929

**Sunset**  
November 29, 2012

*Service*

Thursday, December 6, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Jackson, Officiating*

## *Reflections of Life*

*Martha Lumbsey Berkley, 82, born in Budd W. VA and lived in Paterson the past fifty-five years.*

*She was employed as a domestic worker for many years.*

*Martha was predeceased by husbands, Walter Berkley and first husband, James Lumbsey.*

*Martha leaves to cherish her precious memory: one daughter, Izetta Gist; son-in-law, Henry Gist, Jr., Ringwood, NJ; two grandchildren, Henry Gist III, wife, Marcie Gist of Paterson, NJ and Lesley Etheridge (Rodney) of Ringwood, NJ; great grandson, Henry Crawford (Carolyn); eight other great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren of Paterson, NJ; and a host of other relatives and friends.*



# *Order of Service*

*Prelude*

*Processional*

*Scripture Readings*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements  
and Reflections*

*Reflections of Life*

*Selection*

*Eulogy* ..... *Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Jackson*  
*Mt. Olive Baptist Church • Hackensack, NJ*

*Recessional*



## *Interment*

*Fairlawn Cemetery*  
*Fair Lawn, New Jersey*

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day.  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times,  
a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late **Martha Lumbsey Berkley** 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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