

A Celebration of Life for

Dorothy Lee Cureton-Mason

Sunrise March 14, 1921 Sunset March 10, 2013

Home Going Service

Thursday, March 14, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.

St. Paul Life Center

355 Badger Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07112

Reverend Hilton Rawls Sr., Officiating

Obituary

Dorothy Lee Cureton-Mason, lovingly known as Dot, was the younger of two children, born to the late Julia and Louie Cureton Sr. on March 14, 1921 at 324 Willow Street in Lynchburg, Virginia. Dorothy was educated at Wynchester High School in Monroe, NC. In 1937 at the age of sixteen, she and her family moved to Newark, NJ and she began to work as a cook alongside her mother. At the age seventeen, she had her son, Arthur Walker, on December 4, 1938. Arthur tragically drowned at the age of 7.

Dorothy met and later married David Mason on March 14, 1953. She devoted most of her life to caring for others. In 1962, Dorothy began to take care of children in her home servicing friends and neighbors who were in need. She cared for many children, providing supreme quality and individualized care to each child in her custody. Dorothy will be remembered for her nurturing heart, love, spirituality, and immeasurable strength. She loved God, family, friends, laughter, wrestling, helping others, fishing, and telling jokes.

She was a mother to many children earning her the title of a "Special Mom." Dorothy cared for and raised: Christine and Inez Mobley, Don Mobley-Lee, Raheem Wilson, Bridget Robinson, Carolyn Thomas, Karen Little, and Kaseem Williams. She leaves to cherish her memory: her grandchildren, Charles Thomas, Blair Mobley, Todd and Dorian Perdue, Veronica and Jason Little, and one great grandson, William Devoe.

Dorothy was preceded in death by: her son, Arthur Walker, father Louie Cureton Sr., mother, Julia Cureton, brother, Louie Cureton Jr., nephew, Louie Cureton Jr., and nieces, Cornelia and Juanita Cureton. She leaves to cherish her memory her nieces and nephews, Ronald and Andrew Cureton, Abdur-Raheem Mubarak, Melvin, Tonya, and Adrian Cureton; and a host of grand and great grand nieces and nephews.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Final Disposition

Rosedale Crematory Orange, New Jersey

Pall Bearers

Todd Perdue Dorian Perdue
Raheem Wilson Don Mobley-Lee
Romel Cureton Walter Dixon

Carry On My Children

Carry on my children
And do not weep.
For today is not the end
But instead the beginning.
Carry on my children
You must be strong
For I am home with the Lord
And I am free from all that ails me.
Carry on my children
And keep my memory alive
Remember our laughter
And all the joys we shared.
So until we meet again
Carry on my dear children
For one day we will all be free.

Come To Me

God saw she was getting tired And a cure was not to be So He gently closed those loving eyes And whispered "Come to me" The days of toil and nights of pain The weary hours have passed The patient gentle worn out frame Has found sweet rest at last. Day and night we stood by her And saw her in pain, Anxiously awaiting her cure But our waiting was in vain. God who knoweth all things best Eased her suffering, gave her rest She is gone but not forgotten, Never will our memories fade Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger Round the place where she rests. -Author unknown

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