

<u>Obituary</u>

Ann Lou Wade was born on February 23rd, 1918 in Richmond County, Augusta, GA to the late Claude Brown and Mattie (Rock) Brown. She was born the oldest of two children from that union.

Anna Lou received her primary education in the Augusta, GA Public School system. She married the late Jessie Wade of Augusta, GA in 1935, of that union one son was born.

Anna Lou came to New York in order to pursue better opportunities and the lure of the big city. During her early years in New York, she was employed at the Old Theresa Hotel, a place she truly enjoyed working. Anna Lou spent well over thirty years working as a waitress and counter person on 125th St. in various restaurants and store establishments and was loved and adored by every person that came in contact with her.

She spent fifteen years working at the Pan Pan Restaurant on 135th where she retired in 1988. After her retirement she enjoyed the flexibility and freedom that came with it. She spent her early retirement years being even more loving and attentive to any family member or friend who needed her loving spirit.

The last few years of her life she truly enjoyed all that life had to offer. She spent her days with her best friend, (Martha Hunter) who safely and lovingly watched over her as she traveled to the Senior Centers in the neighborhood and various bus outings. She was very active and was the strongest person you would ever meet and fiercely independent. Any one that ever came in contact with her felt the love she radiated from her heart.

She was a member of the St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church where she worshipped weekly. Her child preceding her in death Jessie Wade, Jr. (Sonny).

She leaves behind to cherish her memory: three daughters (sent to her not by flesh but by God who she took into her loving bosom and raised as her own), Patricia (Brown) Cunningham and husband, Harvey, Carrie Cunningham; Frank Louise Shultz; brother, Claude Brown, Augusta, GA; step-sister, Mattie Williams, Augusta, GA; stepdaughter, Yvonne Boyd (Love); grandchildren, Cheryl, Michael (deceased), Frank, Jr., Allen, Johnathan and Lucretia; great grandchildren, George, Jr., Christopher and Chantell; greatgreat grandchildren, Jade Skye; sister-in-law, Essie Wade; 1st cousins, Constance Robertson, Mary Deluz, Miami and Alonzo Newberry, Miami; nephews, Johnny Wade, Augusta, GA and Guy Wade; and nieces, Mildred, Augusta, GA, Susie Mae (deceased) and Queen McDaniel.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional Hymn

Greeting

Opening Prayer

Hymn

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Responsorial

Second Reading

Gospel

Homily

Intercessory Prayers

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Meditation Hymn

Prayer of Commendation

Recessional Hymn

Reverend Kenneth L. Radcliffe, Deacon Minister of Service

Interment

Mount Holiness Cemetery Butler, 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

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The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

The Family has a special thanks and gratitude to Martha Hunter who watched over her everyday during their daily travels, St. Charles Borromeo Church Senior Center, Kennedy, Greater Harlem, Convent and Phillip Randolph, Neighbors and all of 140th St. where she lived for over seventy years, Dr. Harrison Mitchell and his staff and the staff of Kateri Residence.

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