

# *Obituary*

Gladys Marie Ross Sheffield was born on February 24, 1919 to David Ross and Marie Pennington Ross in Baltimore, MD and departed this life on Friday, May 24, 2013. After the death of her mother, she moved to Orange, NJ and was raised by her aunt, Lula Pennington Drummond and Bill Drummond.

Gladys was educated in the Orange, New Jersey School System and graduated from Orange High in 1939. She married Marvin Sheffield in 1942 and had two children from that union, Brenda Sheffield Yarborough Brunson and Ross M. Sheffield.

Mrs. Sheffield became a member of Union Baptist Church in 1932, under the pastorate of Rev. James McIver. She was the secretary of the Flower Club and remained active until her mobility declined.

She was an LPN in Pediatrics at East Orange General Hospital and retired in 1983. She resided at the Edward F. Gray Apartments in Irvington, NJ for thirty years and was the President of the Tenants' Association. She was a very active member of her Irvington community, the Oak Avenue Block Association where she co-chaired the annual summer cookout.

Mrs. Sheffield was the first president of the Retirement Club and trip coordinator for the YWCA of Orange during the 1980's. Everyone loved going on trips with "Sheffy".

Mrs. Sheffield is survived by: her children, Brenda Yarborough Brunson and Ross Sheffield; grandsons, Khalid Sheffield and John D. Yarborough (Jamie); great-granddaughter, Isabella N. Yarborough; cousin, Geneva Hardy; nephew, Elder Addison Hardy (Cheryl); and a host of relatives and friends.

# Order of Service

Musical Prelude
Seating of Family The Funeral Director
Hymn of Comfort"Blessed Assurance"
Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 100:2-5 New Testament - John 14:1-3
Prayer of Comfort Elder Addison Hardy
Solo
Reflections
Obituary
Solo
EulogyRev. William M. Freeman
Recessional
Postlude

### **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery Newark, New Jersey

#### Repast

Following the interment family and friends are invited for a repast in the church Fellowship Hall.

## When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years
But start out bravely with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same
Feed not your loneliness on empty days
But fill each waking hour in useful ways
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near
And never, never be afraid to die
For I am waiting for you in the sky!

-Helen Steiner Rice

# <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of **Gladys Marie Ross Sheffield** are sincerely grateful for all acts of kindness shown during their hour of bereavement, for your messages of consolation, the flowers sent, your prayers and other expressions of sympathy. We Thank You.

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