

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?*

*Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.*

Remember the love that we once shared,

Miss me-but let me go.

For this is a journey that we all must take,

And each must go alone.

It's all part of the Master's plan,

A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart,

Go to the friends we know.

Laugh at the things we use to do

Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

*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.*

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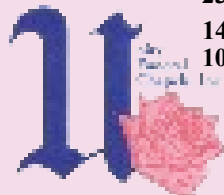
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In Loving Memory of



Markiner Butler

Sunrise
December 28, 1911

Sunset
June 6, 2013

Service

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH

103 Morningside Avenue • New York, NY

Rev. Dr. J.G. McCann, Officiating

Obituary

Markiner Butler was born on December 28, 1911 in Richmond, Virginia to the Holt's. She eventually met and married her life partner, Grady Butler and together they moved to New York City in search of better opportunities. The couple soon added four sons: Edward, Jimmy, Stanley and Grady and a daughter, Maryann to the budding family. Unfortunately, Grady was called home first leaving Markiner devoid of her life partner. Markiner had a deep love for God and the scriptures. She kept a Bible by her bed and the sitting area within her home for a comfort that lasted throughout her and life. In addition, Markiner was an active member of the St Luke's Baptist Church in Harlem, New York for over sixty years and a proud member of their ministry.

During her eventual physical disability she was blessed to have members of the congregation visit with her at home to continue the ministry. This was an important part of her life providing her comfort and keep her belief in the Lord and Savior strong. Markiner Butler was the matriarch of her family and provided support to all of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren whenever needed. She attended family events gazing with pride upon her family as they transformed into the independent nurturing adults that they have become today. With a guiding eye based on the guidelines of Christianity and her own wisdom developed over her many years, Markiner steered her family on a successful course. Markiner was blessed to have witnessed the election of America's first Black President and also his re-election. She often spoke about how Barack Obama's appointment to office was a phenomenon that she thought she would never experience in her lifetime. Often the Obama's were offered as an example of how we all can excel if we place our faith in the hands of God coupled with determination; we all can climb any mountain and overcome any obstacle with the Lord's blessing.

Markiner Butler was a strong independent woman who functioned with the vigor of a thirty year old until her health began to decline about six months ago. She began physical rehabilitation at Hudson Point Nursing Facility in Riverdale, NY six weeks ago and on Thursday June 6, 2013 at the age of 102, Markiner's Lord and Savior called her home to join her beloved husband, Grady Butler, Sr and son, Stanley Butler.

Markiner bids farewell to her adored children, Grady, Jimmy and Edward Butler and devoted daughter, Maryann Patterson. daughters-in-law, Maxine and Toni and son-in-law, Robert. Grandchildren, Andrew, Darlene, Debbie, Shelley, Lamont, Rhett and Starr, great grandchildren Christopher, Anthony, Shaquana, Stone and great-great grandchildren, Jamari, Sannari, Jade, Aisal, Crystal, Max, and Sebastian, family, friends and beloved church members. The children wish to thank you all for enriching their mother, Markiner Butler's life.

Sincerely, Grady, Jimmy, Maryann, and Edward

Order of Service

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Interment

Forest Green Memorial Park Cemetery
Morganville, New Jersey