CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Lucill



Sunrise September 22, 1916

Sunset June 16, 2013

Saturday, June 22, 2013 - 10:30 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

103 Valley Street South Orange, New Jersey 07079 Rev. Terry Richardson, Officiating Rev. Darrin Monroe, Organist

The Obituary



Lucille (Happy) White was born September 22, 1916 in Sumter, South Carolina to the late Rev. Lawson Cuttino and Delia Shannon Cuttino. She was ushered into the arms of Christ on Sunday, June 16, 2013 at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Lucille nicked named "Happy" by her family because of her sunny disposition and winning smile migrated from South Carolina to East Orange, New Jersey in 1945 and resided in the Oranges for



sixty-four years. Lucille came from a very large southern family numbering nineteen brothers and sisters which she helped raise. Her experience raising her brothers and sisters assisted her in becoming a spectacular parent to the two loves of her life, her son, Thomas and her daughter,

Mamie.

Lucille was employed by Cohens Knishes in the City of Newark retiring after thirty-seven years. Blessed with a tremendous work ethic which she instilled in her two children, Lucille would often walk from Steuben Street in East Orange to Frelinghuysen Avenue in Newark to work when the snow precluded any buses from running rather than miss a day of work.

Lucille attended Mount Sinai Baptist Church and Faith Christian Center. She was especially proud of the fact that she had grandsons who were Pastors. She always called them "her boys." Lucille was always at the hub of every family event rather small or large. Highly independent, she lived alone taking care of her own apartment and basic needs until she







Tribute To Our Mother

Mommy Thomas and I want to thank-you for being our mother. No greater love did any two people experience than Thomas and I had because you were our mother. We were the center of your universe until your grandchildren and great grandchildren arrived and we had to take a back seat. Mommy thank -you for the many years you toiled at Cohens Knishes, standing on your feet 10-14 hours a day so Thomas and I could have the life we have today. Thank-you for the many times you never sat down to eat until after we ate because you wanted to make sure we had as much food as we wanted and you would eat whatever was left if anything. Thankyou for protecting us and always being the strong arm we needed when the storms of life challenged us. Thankyou for all the times you washed my girls hair and

hemmed their home made dressed and gowns. Thank-you for the Saturdays we always spent together as you fussed at me because I am not the immaculate house keeper that you were. Thank-you for showing us what real courage is. It is so hard to say good bye Mommy but we know you had become tired so you slipped away. My beloved angel watch over us and know Thomas and I we will always, always love you.

Thomas and Mamie

Pallbearers

Nathaniel WhiteDeven RichardsonThomas White IIKevin BushAaron MonroeLewis Richardson

Acknowledgement

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of you who have prayed for us and extended acts of kindness during this difficult time. We want to especially thank Elsie and the Better Care Health Services for taking such good care of our love one.

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was ninety-three years old. Her house was so immaculate that she was honored by the City of East Orange for having the cleanest apartment in the East Orange Housing Authority system. Lucille also received an Outstanding Service Award for "Women's History Month" for eightyeight years of Service and Commitment to the Community by Mayor Mims Hackett of Orange.

Family and the love of family were at the core of Lucille's existence. To some, she was Aunt Happy, Mama, Mother White, Great Grandmother but to all she was love. Spry and agile even in old age, Lucille was always ready to attend pageants, basketball games, track meets, dance recitals, concerts, graduations or any other activity that would support her Grand and Great Grandchildren. She loved the Newark Slip Factory and would bribe her granddaughters to take her on the highway or to the Mall without her daughter, Mamie knowing about it. She would also sneak downtown Newark on the #5 Kinney bus by herself at eighty-five years old.

Lucille's favorite sayings were "We are all in God's hands."; "Everybody has to live their own life."; "My God, stop worrying all the time Mamie, I ain't no baby" and "I hope we will have many more years together."

Leaving to celebrate her life: her legacy daughter, Dr. Mamie Bridgeforth; son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Linda White; five grandchildren, Leah Dade, Nadeen Richardson and her husband, Rev. Terry L. Richardson, Lawren Monroe and her husband, Rev. Darrin



Monroe, Thomas White II and Nathaniel White; nine great grandchildren and one great great grandson; two sisters, Jessie Cabbagestalk and Mozelle McLean; one sister-in-law, Lala Cuttino; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Invocation	First Baptist Church
Congregational Hymn	"Blessed Assurance"
Scripture Lessons	
The Psalm: Psalm 27:1,4	Pastor Jetlyn Clark
The Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:6-8	Minister Elizabeth Nieves
The Gospel: John 14:1-6	First Baptist Church
Prayer of Comfort	Dr. Gloria Harris
Precious Memories (Family)	Thomas White II - Grandson Deven Richardson - Great Grandson Dr. Mamie Bridgeforth - Daughter
Musical Selection	Alicia Bailey - Great Granddaughter
Acknowledgements/Obituary	First Baptist Church
Musical Selection	NaDeen Richardson - Granddaughter
Eulogy	Rev. Dr. Terry L. Richardson
Benediction	
Recessional	"Going Up Yonder"

<u>Interment</u> Fairmount Cemetery Central Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

<u>Repast</u>

Family and friends are invited for a repast immediately following the interment at N.C.C. Senior Housing, 132 William Street • Orange, New Jersey.

The Magic of A Mother's Touch

There's magic in mother's touch, And sunshine in her smile There's love in everything she does To make our lives worthwhile We can find both love and courage Just by looking in her eyes Her laughter is a source of joy, Her words are warm and wise There is a kindness and compassion To be found in her embrace And we see the light of Heaven Shining from a mother's face.

-Author unknown

























