

Reflections of Life

Laura Mae Goddard Floyd ("The Black Godmother of Paterson"), 71, was born September 20, 1941 in Martin County, NC to Vester Lee Goddard. She was reared by the late Johnnie and Naomi Goddard.

Laura was educated in the North Carolina Public School system where resided until she relocated to Paterson, NJ in the 1960's. It was in Paterson where she met and later married the late William Floyd, Jr. Laura was employed by PSE&G and Passaic County Office of Public Defenders until she retired in 1996. Laura will always be remembered for her Diva Style, confidence, no non-sense personality and her cat walk.

She was preceded in death in addition to her husband by her son, Robert Wilson; mother, Vester Lee Goddard; adopted mother and father, Johnny and Naomi Goddard; two brothers, Johnny Goddard and J.T. Goddard and her sister, Mary Wilson.

Laura transitioned this life Wednesday, June 19, 2013, with her family by her side.

Laura leaves to cherish her loving memories: her five children, Doris Goddard, Jessie Wilson (Ethel) and Tina Floyd of Paterson NJ, and Gregory Wilson (Elaine) of Redlands, CA, Tracy Floyd of Stafford, VA; two brothers, Henry Goddard of Garner, NC and William Goddard of NC; two sisters, Margie Cobb (David) and Gloria Crenshaw (Robert) both of Washington, NC; sister-in-law, Angela Goddard of North Carolina; ten grandchildren; twenty-three great grandchildren; also surviving are many nieces, nephews, cousins, her lifelong friends, Elise Forman, Deloris Muthee, Panthea Gore; devoted friends, Virginia McClure, Monica Barr and Christine Littleton; honorary children, Jareleen Reams, Beverly Thomas and Anthony Franklin; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Service

Thursday, June 27, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

SOLID ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

195 Spring Street
Paterson, New Jersey
Rev. Bennett Johnson, Officiating

Order of Service

Presiding	Rev. Bennett Johnson III
Processional	
Words of Comfort	
The Holy Scripture Old Testament New Testament	Rev. Gayle Johnson Romain Floyd
Prayer	Elder Corinne Smith
Selection	Tracy Williams
Acknowledgements and Reflections of Life	Debra Price
Selection	Omar Purvis
Reflections of Love	Family and Friends
Selection	Tanita Reams
Eulogy	
Benediction	
Recessional	3390

Interment

Fair Lawn Cemetery Fair Lawn, New Jersey

You Toiled So Hard For Those You Loved

You toiled so hard for those you loved.
You said goodbye to none,
your spirit flew before we knew,
your work on earth was done.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
as time goes by we miss you more.

Your loving smile, your gentle face:
no one can fill your vacant place.
Your life was love and labor.
Your love for your family true.
You did the best for all of us.
We will always remember you.

Pallbearers

Jessie Thomas Wilson, Sr. Romain Floyd Kasseem Reams Reggie Reams Antwan Campbell Tyrone Clay, Sr. Lanier Moore

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of the late **Laura M. Floyd** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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