



Service of Witness to the Resurrection

for

Annette Barnes

Sunrise

April 29, 1944

Sunset

September 3, 2013

Tuesday, September 10, 2013 - 11:00 am

First Presbyterian Church

1731 Church Street at West Grand Avenue

Rahway, New Jersey

Reverend Erin Hayes, Pastor

Life Reflections

Annette (Whitfield) Barnes was born on April 29, 1944 in Linden, New Jersey, daughter of Precious (Mobley) and Eddie Whitfield. She moved to Roselle, New Jersey, and was educated in the Roselle Public Schools. She attended Polk Elementary School, formerly known as Lincoln Elementary School, and graduated from Abraham Clark High School. Annette continued her education and became a dental hygienist; she later received her certification as a day care provider.

Annette was employed as a dental hygienist in Irvington, New Jersey for 8 years. She was the owner and operator of Annette's Day Care in Roselle for 15 years. She later worked at the day care center at the Rahway YMCA and was promoted to Director. She would later serve at the Elizabeth YMCA as a day care worker.

As a young child, Annette and family attended First Baptist Church in Linden and Bethlehem Baptist in Roselle, New Jersey.

Annette met and married Grady Hamilton and had one daughter, Stacey.

Annette was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Rahway, where she served as Deaconess and worked with the Soup Kitchen. She organized Christmas Drives for the children of the church as well as for the YMCA. She also worked with Meals on Wheels in Rahway, delivering meals to those in the Golden Age Towers.

Annette (Whitfield) Barnes departed this life on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, in Bridgewater, New Jersey at the age of 69. She was predeceased by her husband of 21 years, George Barnes, siblings, Curlie Taliaferro, Jeannette Whitefield (twin sister), and Ike Whitfield, and her parents, Precious and Eddie Whitfield.

Annette leaves to cherish fond memories, a daughter, Stacey (Maxwell) Smith of Roselle, NJ; 2 grandchildren, Taylor and Justin Smith; a sister, Evelyn (R.C.) Johnson of Severn, MD; a brother, Robert (Eloise) Whitfield Rasheed of East Orange, NJ. She is also survived by two aunts, Mattie (Floyd) Owens, Chesapeake, VA, Sally Whitfield, Unadilla, GA and one cousin, Ola Maud Butler, Dunellen, FL, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,
The Family

Order Of Service

PRELUDE“Amazing Grace”

OPENING SENTENCES and PRAYER

HYMN“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #630 (please stand if able)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, Give me a clean heart so that I may serve you. Fix my heart so that I may be used by you. I’m not worthy of all these blessings. Sometimes I’m up and sometimes I am down. Sometimes I choose the wrong the path. I let what I’ve done in the past get in the way of loving you. Give me a clean heart so that I may follow you all the days of my life, in Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Isaiah 40:28-31, Matthew 11:28, John 14:1-3, 25-27

TRIBUTES FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS

MUSICAL SELECTION“Take Me To The King”

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON and HOMILY

Mark 10:13- 16 Luke 24: 13-35, Phillipians 4:4-13

PASTORAL PRAYER and OUR LORD’S PRAYER

.....Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, AMEN.

HYMN “I Surrender All” - page 596

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE.....“Wind Beneath My Wings”

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the interment family and friends are invited to return to First Presbyterian Church where a repast will be served.

Pall Bearers
Family and Friends of Annette (Whitfield) Barnes

I AM FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following paths God made for me
I took his hand I heard him call
Then turned, and bid farewell to all

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to sing, to play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found my peace... at close of play

And if my parting left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened... deep with sorrow
I wish you sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full I've savored much
Good friends, good times
A loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with grief
Lift up your hearts and share with me,
God wants me now... He set me free.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Annette (Whitfield) Barnes** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers.

May God continue to richly bless you. Special Thanks to Gentiva Hospice, the Green Knoll Center and to Kim's In The Mix.

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