Celebration

Of

Victory



Mother Virginia Arabell Hunter

Sunrise: May 2, 1925

Sunset: October 8, 2013

Service

Thursday, October 17, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

MOUNTAINTOP CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

483 Ferry Street • Newark, NJ 07105

Elder Anthony M. Hunter, Pastor & Founder
Minister Rashawn Hassell, Officiating



Reflections of Life

Mother Virginia Arabell Hunter was called home from labor to reward on Tuesday, October 8, 2013. She was a native of Columbia, South Carolina born on May 2, 1925. She was one of seven children born to the late Charlie and Mattie Broome.

She attended Howard Elementary School and Booker T. Washington High School in South Carolina.

In 1947, she moved to Harlem, NY where she met and married the love of her life, Bert Hunter of Spartenburg, South Carolina; out of this union she birthed three children, Carmen Smith, Bertram Hunter, and Anthony Hunter. She also had three adopted children, Paul Mack, Gail Marshall, and Delisa Hunter.

Mother Hunter worked at Consolidated Laundry and Statewide Savings Bank, she was a successful homemaker who not only raised her birth children and adopted children, and she also influenced a famous basketball player who plays with the Harlem Globetrotter.

In 1963, while pregnant with her last child Mother Virginia Hunter surrendered her life to the Lord and became a member of Tabernacle Temple Church of God In Christ under the leadership of Pastor Benjamin Allen, Sr.; of whom she served for many years. She was the president of the Pastor's Aide Dept. She was a member of the Senior Choir where she led her famous song "I'm Pressing On The Upward Way" she was also on the Kitchen Committee where she was known for her famous cakes and pies (carrot cake, pineapple coconut cake and sour cream cake).

In 1995, God led Mother Hunter to follow her son, Pastor Anthony M. Hunter in the ministry of Mountaintop Church of God In Christ, where she was appointed mother of the church and president of the finance committee. She remained a faithful member to this present day.

Mother Hunter was an influence in many young people's lives; even though Mother Hunter was a loving and faithful wife to Bert Hunter, loving sister to Ethel Stokes, Tomasina Broome, Henry Broome, Fletcher Broome, loving sister-in-law to Ethel Broome, loving mother-in-law to Deacon Robert Smith, and mother to Paul Mack and Gail Marshall who all preceded her in death.

Mother Hunter would let her light shine for everyone to see through her love she showed everywhere she went, she was loved by many. She was devoted to her natural family and spiritual family alike. She would help anyone who needed her. Mother Virginia Arabell Hunter shall be greatly missed.

She leaves to mourn: two daughters, Carmen Smith and Delisa Hunter; two sons, Bertram Hunter and Pastor Anthony M. Hunter; two daughters-in-law, Deborah Hunter, District Miss'y Cheryl Hunter and one son-in-law, Angelo Longobardi; thirteen grandchildren, Portia Thomas (Jessie), Michael Longobardi, Cherise Martin, Lesean Hunter, Ebony Hunter, Kyle Smith (Trefina), Angela Kelly, Maurice Glaster (Danielle), Raheem Hunter, Amber Hunter, Danaja Hunter, Deonna Hunter and Javon Robinson; her sisters, Emma Bruce, Bernice Doctor; twenty-two great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and the Mountaintop Church Family.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Hymn Elder Javon Allen "He Touched Me" (Momma's Song)

Prayer of Comfort Elder William Merritt

Scripture reading

Old Testament Deacon Kelrick Joseph
New testament Deacon Jesse Thomas

Musical Selection The Family Chorus

Remarks Family, Friends & Ministers (2 min.)

Praise DanceKyle Smith

Solo...... Michelle White

Resolution & Cards Evangelist Shirley Ford

Special Presentation Bishop Charles Hunter Sis. Ebony Hunter

Lacy Hunter

Obituary.....Evangelist Juliette Allen

Praise Dance The Grandchildren

Special Remarks Mother Sadie Curtis

District Missionary Cheryl Hunter Pastor Benjamin Allen, Sr. (former pastor)

Musical Selection..... Mountaintop Adult Choir

Eulogy Elder Anthony M. Hunter (her baby) Mountaintop Church of God In Christ • Newark, NJ

Final Farewell

Recessional

Final Repose

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God has chosen for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call; I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way; I've now found peace at the end of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joys. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; Oh yes, these things, I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow Look for the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much; Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch. Perhaps my time seems all to brief; Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief. Lift up your heart and peace to thee, God wanted me now-He set me free

Acknowledgements

The family would like to take this opportunity to extend their sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy. May God bless and keep each one of you in His tender loving care.

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