



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Savonia Stafford*

**Sunrise**

*November 5, 1968*

**Sunset**

*November 5, 2013*

*Service*

Wednesday, November 13, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey

**Pastor Roxanne Barnes, Officiating**

## *Obituary*

**Savonia Stafford** was born on November 5, 1968 to the late Ralph Stafford and the late Mary Stafford. At the age of 45, she was called home to be with our Heavenly Father this life on November 5, 2013.

Savonia was educated in the Newark Public school system where she attended Peshine Avenue School, Weequahic High School and later graduating from Vailsburg High School.

She was employed at The House of Styles located in Newark, NJ styling the hair of many from young to old. She was a kind hearted, loving and caring person that brought joy to the lives of others by making them look good and feel good especially doing their hair. Savonia loved her family and was truly God sent and a blessing to many who knew her and will dearly miss her.

She leave to mourn her passing: her children, Westley Stafford, Alnesha Stafford and David D. Whitfield; her longtime companion, David Whitfield; her brother, Ralph Stafford, Jr., John Stafford, and Danny Stafford; her sisters, Debbie Nash, Neisha Stafford Grey, and her twin sister, Lavonia Stafford; her uncles, Mitchell Wise and Ralph Wise; one aunt, Ellia Wise; her sister-in-law, Marcia Stafford; brothers-in-law, John Grey and Wayne Williams. Also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Charles B. Williams and sister Cecelia Stafford.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Opening Prayer

Selection .....“Take Me To The King” - Dertia Stafford

Obituary/Acknowledgements/ Poem ..... Kitia Stafford

Selection

Eulogy .....Pastor Roxanne Barnes

Recessional

**Cremation**

Evergreen Crematory  
Hillside, New Jersey

*Repast following the service at  
121 Shepherd Avenue • Newark, NJ*

# *The Blessing You Give*

*Dear Lord of all my days and years,  
The joyful times, the pain and tears  
My peace and calm within the storm  
That keeps me safe from harm  
I know that tears must sometimes fall  
To help me stand up strong and tall,  
All strength and power is Yours to give,  
Your hand is there each day I live.  
When on the mountaintop I stand  
The blessings flow from Your strong hand  
But when the valley days are here,  
I feel Your presence always near.  
Just fill me with Your love each day  
To give to others, by the way,  
The blessings that You give to me,  
Help me to share them lovingly  
That I might be Your light of love,  
A blessing from Your throne above.  
There are so many in despair  
I need to show that You are there.  
So Lord of all my days and years,  
Help me to dry another's tears,  
To show the love You give each day  
The blessings we should give away.*

## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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