

*In Loving Memory  
of  
Doretha Francine Alston*

*Sunrise*  
*October 13, 1930*

*Sunset*  
*December 10, 2013*



*Thursday, December 19, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.*

**Whigham Funeral Home**

580 Martin Luther King Blvd.

Newark, New Jersey

*Albert Alston, Jr., Christian Life Group Leader*

## *Obituary*

**Doretha Francine Deas**, was one of twelve children born to the late Mr. Joseph and Mrs. Anniebell Deas on October 13, 1930 in Charleston, South Carolina.

She attended and graduated from Burke High School of Charleston, S.C. June 4, 1949.

She is the mother of Herbert Deas and Judith Ann Ankrah. On June 18, 1954 she married Mr. Albert Alston, Sr. where they managed a grocery and seafood business during the 1950's. From this marriage the following children were born; Glenn Alston, Albert Alston, Jr., Janine Alston, Leslie Ellen Alston, the late Jean Amanda Alston and David V. Alston.

In May of 1966, the Alston family moved from Charleston, S.C. to Newark, New Jersey. Doretha Alston would pursue a career in nursing as a Licensed Practical Nurse. She encouraged her children to follow her example for valuing education and career goals. She worked for many years in the major hospitals and nursing homes in Essex County. She concluded her career at the former Kessler Rehabilitation Center of East Orange, N.J. during the 1980's.

Doretha Alston was an active participant in her church throughout the years. She sang second soprano in her church's choir. She also was an avid reader of novels. Doretha also enjoyed cooking and arts and crafts as hobbies.

She is loved forever and will be missed. She is preceded in death by her parents, Mr. Joseph and Mrs. Anniebell Deas, her siblings, Estelle, David, William, Mary, Annabel, Johnny, Herbert and Delores, daughter Jean and her husband of twenty-one years, Mr. Albert Alston, Sr.

Doretha is survived by: her siblings, Julia Ham and Edna Fuller; her children, Herbert, Judith, Glenn, Albert, Janine, Leslie and David; ten grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a great extended family of loving relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Scripture Reading**

**Old Testament - Isaiah 25:8-9**

*Leslie Alston*

**New Testament - II Corinthians 5:1-8**

*Helena Alston*

**Selection**

*“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

*David V. Alston*

**Remarks**

*(Two Minutes Each Please)*

**Acknowledgements and Obituary**

*Albert Alston*

**Selection**

*“It Is Well With My Soul”*

*David V. Alston*

**Eulogy**

*Albert Alston, Jr.*

*Christian Life Group Leader*

**Interment**

*Rosedale Cemetery*

*Montclair, New Jersey*

*Repast*

*26 Este Place • Bloomfield, NJ*

# *Psalms 23*

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late **Doretha Francine Alston**,  
we thank you for your love and for your prayers.*

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