

Celebrating the Life of

Gertrude D. Rodriguez

Sunrise
October 30, 1942

Sunset
January 3, 2014

Service

Thursday, January 9, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOMES, INC.

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Anthony Cureton, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Gertrude Thomas-Rodriguez of Paterson, NJ, was born on October 30, 1942 in Hackensack, NJ to the late John Thomas and Ida Mae Thomas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Luis Rodriguez, brother, John (Bubba) Thomas, sisters, Martha Thomas and Linda Thomas, niece, Michelle Thomas and son-in-law, Jerry Robinson.

Gertrude departed this life on Friday, January 3, 2014.

She leaves to cherish precious memories; two sons, Michael Thomas and Dale Thomas, both of Paterson, NJ; one daughter, Devona Thomas-Robinson of Paterson, NJ; one brother, Walter Thomas of Paterson, NJ; two sisters, Shirley Thomas and Judy Thomas of Paterson, NJ; grandchildren, Terrell Thomas, Michael Dudley and Javiah Thomas all of Paterson, NJ; great grandson, Massiah Thomas; nieces, Ditanya, Tasha, Yolanda, LouKisha, Chantay, Yakema, Tawanda, and Charisa; nephews, Kaheif, Jamal and Corey; devoted cousin, Dorothy Shaw; daughter-in-law, Sheree Dudley; and a host of other family members and friends.

Order of Service

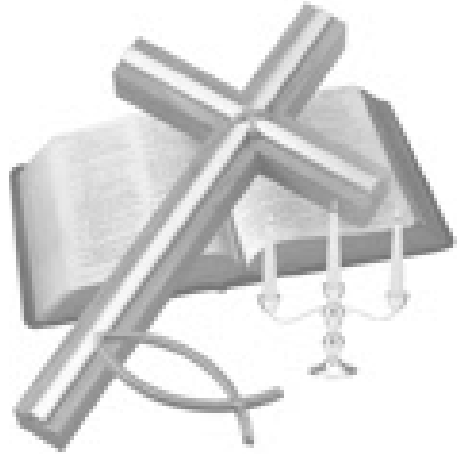
Prelude

Processional

Scripture Readings
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection



Poem Ditanya Thomas

Acknowledgements
and Reflections

Reflections of Life

Poem..... Michael Thomas

Selection

Eulogy Rev. Anthony Cureton
Grace Chapel Baptist Church • Paterson, NJ

Recessional

Interment
St. Peter's Cemetery
Garfield, New Jersey

Footprints

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life.

This really bothered her and she questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **Gertrude D. Rodriguez** 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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