

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

*Saturday, January 25, 2014
Viewing 9:00 a.m. - Service 10:00 a.m.*

CHAPELS OF EDEN FUNERAL HOME
110 South Munn Avenue
East Orange, New Jersey 07018

Geneva Jeanette Tention

September 22, 1920 - January 16, 2014

Life Reflections

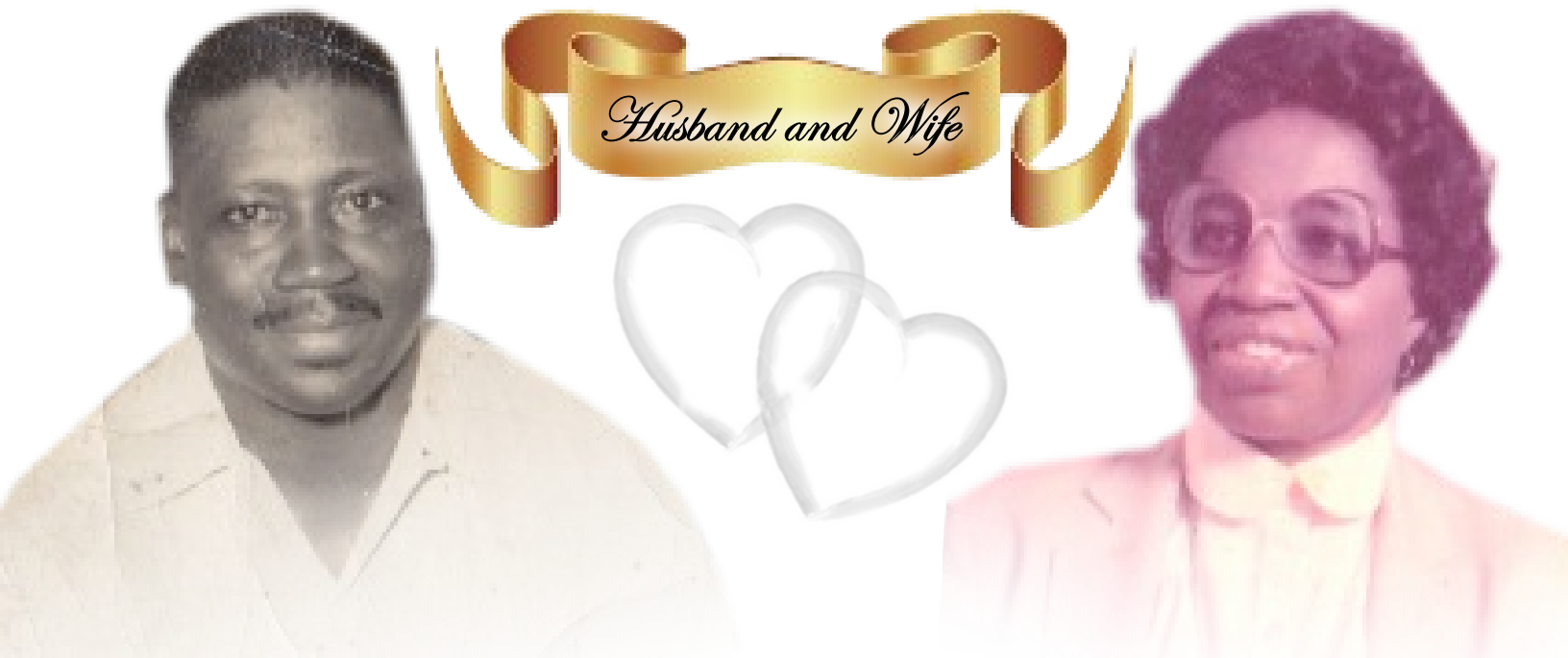
Geneva Jeanette Tention, known as “Tita” and “Gen” by her family, was born on September 22, 1920 in Pineville, South Carolina to the late Lawrence Idas Brown and Dinah Region Brown. She was the third child and the first daughter of thirteen children, four boys and nine girls.

Geneva graduated high school from the Berkeley County Public School System. She married Joseph Tention, Jr. on September 26, 1941 and moved to Charleston, South Carolina with her husband and then traveled to Columbia, South Carolina where she attended Benedict College and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English in 1948. After her graduation, she joined her husband and they began to travel the world together, as a devoted Air Force wife. During her incredible journey, she gave birth and raised four children, one daughter and three sons, Betty, Larry, Franky and Rodney.

Geneva settled in Columbus, Ohio with her family in 1960. She applied for a teaching position in the Columbus Ohio Public School System while waiting. Geneva helped support her family by building, establishing and managing her own beauty salon and then attended Capital University in Columbus, Ohio and received her Masters Degree in Elementary Education. In 1963, Geneva began teaching first grade at Claremont Elementary School in Columbus, Ohio where she worked as an elementary school teacher for more than twenty years.

After retiring from teaching and living in Columbus, Ohio with her children, grandchildren and friends, Geneva moved to Hillside, NJ where she resided with her daughter and family until she gallantly left us to be with our Lord and Savior. Geneva was a member of “Christ the King” Catholic Church in Columbus, Ohio and attended St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church in Hillside, NJ.

Geneva was dearly loved and will continue to be remembered by: her surviving five sisters, Josephine Grant, Rosa Lee, Beatrice Hendry, Doris Brown and Helen Middleton; sister-in-law, Betty Brown; daughter, Betty Marie Tention-Williams; son-in-law, Richard A. Williams; sons, Joe Larry Tention, deceased son, Franky Allen Tention and Rodney Ellis Tention; daughter-in-law, Becky Tention; grandchildren Yashica, Kassim, Terrence, Lakeisha, Leon, Dereco, Wendy, Joe Larry, Tarina, Megan, Tamara, Nathan, Justice and Myles; twenty-four great-great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.



Order of Service

Prayer of Comfort.....Dr. Dwayne Thomas

Scripture Reading.....Rev. Mark Carter-Pierce
Old Testament
New Testament

Selection

Life Reflections.....Martine Vancol

Acknowledgements/Reflections.....Martine Vancol

Remarks.....Two Minutes Please

Selection

Eulogy.....Dr. Dwayne Thomas

Parting View/Recessional.....Funeral Directors

Interment.....*Rosedale Cemetery • Linden, New Jersey*

Precious  *Memories*



Special Notes

Dear Mommy,

“Just wanted to say thank you for being my mom. All that I am is because of you. I hope you were as proud of me as I always have been of you. Rest now.”

Love forever, Betty

Grandma...

“You will dearly be missed and remembered. I love you very much and I understand you are in a better place finally resting. Thank you for always being a loving and wonderful grandmother. I will cherish all my memories of you deep in my heart and I will continue to make you proud.”

I Love You, Megan Gen

Dear Grandma,

“I can't express the amount of love, respect and care I had for you. Even when my day wasn't so great, just coming threw the door and hearing “there's my girl”, was the one phrase out of your mouth that relieved my entire daily worries. I can honestly say when the disease began to worsen, I was upset because I didn't understand quite yet. As time went on and I grew older, I began researching information about the disease and the different stages and finally understood. You couldn't help it but you fought a great fight to make it to age ninety-three and for that you will be truly loved, cherished and remembered. I love you grandma with all my heart.”

Love, Tamara

Mom,

“Thank you, for being the light of my life. Thank you for molding me into the man I am. Thank you for being the rock of our family. I love you and miss you.”

Love always, Rodney

Dear Geneva,

“I have been with you as your caregiver for more than eight years. You were like a grandmother to me, loving and always smiling. In some special way I felt as though you were my grandmother also. I will miss you dearly. God be with you.”

Love always, Joy

Loving You

Loving you is something we all enjoyed to do. Your beautiful smile, your everlasting bliss, your slow walk and gentle hug, kiss. Those are just a few things that we will all miss. You were like a breath of fresh air. Never once did you not care. In our hearts, we can't despair, because you will always be here. May your soul live on forever, because we will always be together. So, for now we will put you to rest, because for all of us, I know you would want the best. There's so much we all want, need and forgot to say. But, there's one thing for sure, we can't stand in God's way. So, as your family and friends, we must stay strong ... so you're precious name may carry on. We love you then, now and forever. In our hearts, minds and souls, we will always be together.

Acknowledgements

*The family of the late **Geneva Jeanette Tention** wishes to express their sincere appreciation for the acts of kindness and love shown to them during their time of sorrow.*

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