Gone is the face we loved so Dear, Silent is the voice we love to hear, Too far away for sight or speech, But not too far away for thought to reach. Sweet to remember her, who once was there. And who, though absent, is just as Dear. Our lips cannot tell how we miss her, Our hearts cannot tell what to say. God alone knows how we miss her, In a home that is lonesome to-day.

Acknowledgement

The family of Ester E. Kearney-Harris would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many comforting messages, expressions of love and encouragement, and above all your prayers and concerns during the passing of our loved one. We could not get through this difficult time without you.

May the Lord bless you.

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Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings - Pastor Jerry Smith

Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Pastor Jerry Smith

Reflections

(2 Minutes Please)

Acknowledgements

Lorie Murchison

Obituary

Murad Harris

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Roland Kearney

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey



Ester Elizabeth Kearney-Harris, was born on March 30, 1925 in Warrington, North Carolina to Emily Austin Kearney and Peter Kearney. At an early age, the family all moved to Hackensack, New Jersey. Her family included her brothers and sisters; Ruth, Herman, Virginia, Alexander, Mary Jane, Lula, William, Charles, Annie Mae, Betty and Georgette.

Affectionately known as "Tuda" to her friends, she loved to dance one of her favorite dances, the "Jitterbug" where she danced her way into the heart of the late Frank Harris. They later were married, formed a union and then packed up and moved to Newark, NJ to start a very large family. Their union had included five children; Gloria, Bernard, Carolyn, Van and Wendy.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: her sister, Betty James; her children, Bernard Buggs and Van Harris; grandchildren, Lyn Bowers, Renee Bowers, Michelle Bowers-Talbot, Eric Bowers, Tracy Bowers, Troy Bowers, Bernard Buggs, Jr., Nicole Shells, Aiesha Shiply, Carl Perry, Raheem Jackson, Tofah Kitchen, Amin Kitchen, Farod Harris, Murad Harris, Ahmad Harris and Ameenah Harris. She is also survived by thirtynine great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her siblings; Ruth Kearney, Herman Kearney, Virginia Kearney; Alexander Kearney, Mary Jane Kearney, Lula Kearney, Charles Kearney, Annie Mae Kearney-Graham and Georgette Kearney-Brown; her children, Gloria Harris-Bowers, Carolyn Perry, Wendy Harris-Ali and Sabreen Ali.

Ester loved to sew. She loved it so much that she took it on as a career and the ever so famous name "Ma-Ma". She also loved her family and was a firm believer of a tight knit family.

Ester had moved to Woodbridge, Virginia in 2004 and stayed in the loving care of Michelle Talbot until her illness and God called her home on March 24, 2014. We will all miss her dearly and we thank God for the eighty-eight years of loving her family.























