



Nellie Nesmith-McCray

Sunrise March 12, 1939 Sunset July 1, 2014

<u>Service</u> Monday, July 7, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

GRACE CHURCH 39 Erie St. • Jersey City, NJ 07302

<u>Obituary</u>

On Tuesday, July 1, 2014 with family by her side at Cusack Nursing Home God called for our beloved Nellie.

Nellie Nesmith-McCray was born on March 12, 1939 in Williamsburg County, South Carolina to Leslie Snow and Andrew Nesmith. After the untimely death of her mother at the age of three months, Nellie was raised by her aunt, Anna Bell Taylor. Under Anna Bell selfless love and guidance, Nellie was able to grow and flourish.

Nellie graduated from Chavis High School in Hemingway, South Carolina. She left Hemingway, South Carolina and moved to Jersey City, NJ after graduation. She married LeRoy McCray in 1962 and started her family with two daughters, and one son.

Nellie was employed at B. Manischewitz for thirty-five years, she was also a active member of her church, she fed the homeless faithfully every Saturday until her illness. She was not only a mother and grandmother to her family but to everyone that came in contact with her.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Leslie Snow, father, Andrew Nesmith, daughter, Merle Nesmith, brothers, Freddie Nesmith, Andrew Nesmith, Jr., and George (Henrietta) Nesmith.

Nellie was adored, admired, and respected by many. Among those left to cherish her memory are: her daughter, Cheryl McCray; one son, Willie Gerald Cooper; eight grandchildren, Eric, Jason, Latoya, Erica, Darren, Marqus, Jaylin and Dianaya; three great grands, Rashawn, Zymere and Najae. She is also survived by one sister, Mary Anderson of Jersey City; two sisters-in-law, Celia Nesmith, and Shirley Nesmith; three brothers, Kella (Betty) Nesmith, Tommy (Carrie) Nesmith, and Clarence and Ruth Nesmith who played a special roll in her life. Nellie also leaves behind countless host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends who will miss her dearly.

<u>Order of Service</u>

| Opening Music | Jennie Levine |
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| Prayer | |
| Welcome | |
| Isaiah 25:6-9 | Deborrah Gravette |
| Precious Lord | Mark Guerette |
| John 6:37-40 | Deborrah Gravette |
| Eulogy | Cheryl McCray Mary Akiens |
| Lord's Prayer | |
| Prayers of The People | |
| Commendation | Rev. Laurie Wurm |
| Music | Jennie Levine |

Interment

Bayview Cemetery Jersey City, New Jersey

A baby cradled in your arms, Teaching me your gentle charms, Growing up with you by my side Learning from you to never lie, To understand and not judge too Love and kindness I also learned from you Through the years you watched me grow Teaching me everything I need to know Listening to every word I said And every word I wrote you read, You have been there for me till the end, Until the day for you God did send, Now you can watch me from up above Shining down on me with your heavenly love. I will miss you with all my heart. Thank you for being there from the start.

Rest in Paradise Our Angel You will always have a place in our heart.

Love Your, Grandchildren

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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