

*In Loving Memory of*



*Marilyn Taylor Witherspoon*

**Sunrise**

November 6, 1941

**Sunset**

July 1, 2014

**Service**

Wednesday, July 9, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey

**Brother Michael Botchway**

## Obituary

**Marilyn Witherspoon** of Newark, New Jersey was born on November 6, 1941 to the late Levi Taylor, Sr. and Sammy Jones. Marilyn passed away on July 1, 2014 into a deep sleep where she now awaits her heavenly Father, Jehovah to awaken her.

Marilyn was educated in Newark Public Schools where she attended Charlton Street School, Avon Ave School and graduated from South Side High School.

Her family and friends affectionately called Marilyn “Merle”. In 1972, she was baptized as one of Jehovah’s Witnesses. That was one of the proudest moments in her life. She was the type of person that would be frank and upfront with you. Merle had a sweet tooth that she just could not control which caused problems with her health, but she still had a sense of humor, and was always approachable.

Marilyn worked for the Newark Board of Education for seven years. Then she became employed at the Newark Municipal Court and retired after twenty-five years.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents, Levi and Sammie Taylor, her two sisters Patricia (Jackie) Lott and Georgiana (Joy) Harrington, her three brothers, Levi, Jr., Franshott and Freddy Taylor, two grandsons, Simard Vanderhorst, Basil Walker, four brothers-in-law, Ulysses (Buddy) Black, Fred Lott, James (Box) Harrington and Elvan (Snoop) Witherspoon and three sisters-in-law, Ruth Black-Taylor, Fannie Mae Williams and Dorothy (Dot) Witherspoon.

Marilyn leaves to cherish in her memory: devoted husband, Mancy James Witherspoon; her youngest sister, Loretta Black; her children, Greer Taylor, Victoria Taylor, Wendell Taylor, Felicia Caldwell (her husband, Stanley), Michael Taylor, Dawn Glover (her husband, Eric), Kisha Madison (her husband, Mendu) two special daughters, Jarnice Vanderhorst and Rhonda Walker; seventeen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

## *Order of Service*

Musical Prelude  
Kingdom Melodies

Processional  
Family and Minister

Obituary  
Darrell Lott

Eulogy/Talk  
Brother Michael Botchway

Acknowledgement

Music/Song  
“He Will Call” #111

Recessional

**Repast immediately following the funeral service at:**

James C. White Manor  
516 Bergen Street  
Newark, NJ 07108



## *Revelation 21:1-4*

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the former heaven and the former earth had passed away; and the sea is no more.

I also saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God and prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

With that I heard a loud voice from the throne say: "Look! The tent of God is with mankind, and he will reside with them, and they will be his people. And God himself will be with them.

And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away."

## *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.

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