

In Loving Memory of



Wilma A. Benson

Sunrise

January 6, 1961

Sunset

August 5, 2014

Service

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street
Newark, New Jersey

Order of Service



Viewing

Homegoing Service

Processional

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Solo

Obituary

Solo



Acknowledgements

Eulogy

Pastor Kenneth L. Pearman

Reaching Out For Jesus Christian Center • Brodsheadville, PA

Benediction

A Life Celebrated

To be celebrated, so full of life, love and legacy. You came from a long line of strong women Your family and friends can easily tell others of happy times with you, of times when you laughed and the many questions you asked. We knew you loved us very much. We know you are gone but you will forever be, in our hearts. We will miss seeing you in your flowing dresses and glittery bright florescent attire. You are a sister, mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin, mentor, encourager to us all.

God allowed you to leave a lasting legacy that will pass on.

You're such a special gift to treasure in our hearts.

You will be remembered with a smile on your face, traveling all over the place from, New Jersey to North Carolina and in between asking many questions along the way.

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory

Orange, New Jersey

Repast to be held at

682 Park Avenue • East Orange, NJ 07017

Obituary

Wilma Benson was born to Nelson Benson and the late Willow Jean Benson on January 6 1961, in Jacksonville, Florida. Wilma was affectionately known as “Sweetpea” and “R”. Wilma was educated in the Newark, NJ school system. Upon graduating Barringer High School, she continued her education by attending Bethune Cookman College and Montclair State University earning a bachelor’s degree in Psychology.

Wilma met and married Hilberto Tucker, who has preceded her in death. They moved and settled in Pennsylvania. After a few years they moved back to Newark so that she could assist in caring for her mother during her time of illness. Wilma worked at various jobs in New Jersey during her early years. She chose to work at East Orange Child Development Corporation for more than 25 years, so that she can have the same schedule as her children. This allowed her the time to raise and nurture her sons, Anthony and David.

Wilma was a devoted member of the Reaching Out for Christian Center of Brodheadsville, PA. Where she could be seen every Sunday sitting in the front row wearing one of her many beautiful hats adorned with feathers or rhinestones. Serving first in the choir and then on the Evangelist Board, she worked diligently and brought many to Christ. She could often be heard witnessing to others about the goodness of God and speaking fondly of her Pastor, Reverend Dr. Kenneth L. Pearman and her church family. Her passions were working on her Angel Closet, Parents Anonymous and the joy of starting her new business “Virtue Bath Treatments”.

“Please Know That I Have Always Cared and Loved God”

Written by Wilma Benson

I have always tried to help others
I Love children and their families
I Love my family
I have the favor of God and I am his Hand Maiden
I have tried to evangelize all of my life



Revelations 12:11 states “And they overcame him by the blood of the lambs and by the Word of their testimony and the loved not their lives unto death”

Wilma Benson continued to help others whenever she could with her words of wisdom, bright smile and funny giggle. She always found the time to comfort a family member or friend when needed. She fought a good fight against a mighty opponent. On Tuesday August 5th 2014 her struggle ended and like a good soldier she retreated home to celebrate with the Lord of eternal peace.

She was preceded in death by her mother Willow Jean Benson, husband Hilberto Tucker and brothers, Timothy Benson and Tywan Hargrove.

Wilma is survived by two sons, Anthony Turner and David Turner both East Orange, NJ; her father, Nelson Benson; six siblings, Gary Benson (sister-in-law Jill Benson), Tiffany Benson, Susalyn Benson, Rodney Benson, Tameka Hargrove, Derrick Roundtree and Vondra Davis. Two grandchildren Timothy (Timmy) and Niyonna (Nana) Turner. Aunts Alice Ragland of Newark, NJ and Sophiarea Cheek of Henderson, NC. She also leaves to mourn a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Three best friends Angela Carr, Sharon Fritz and Victoria (Vickie) Suriel who preceded her in death.

Wilma loved her family and was very close to her Aunt Alice. They shared a very special bond. During her illness Aunt Alice was there through the most difficult times, even when it became overwhelming to her children. Aunt Alice, we will be forever grateful. We thank you and we love you.

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Safely Home

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.*

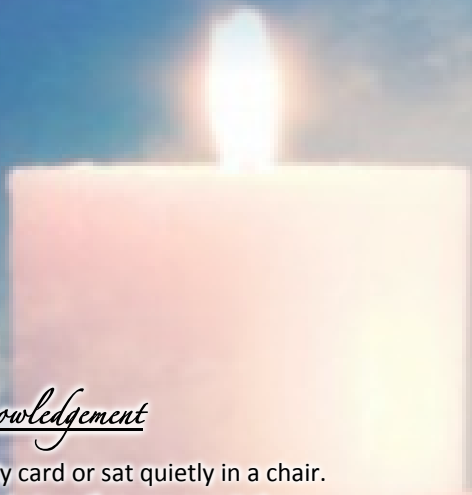
*Did you wonder I so calmly
Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still:
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's Will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth -
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home:
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!*



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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