

*In Loving Memory of
Lucy V. Martin*



Sunrise

November 24, 1934

Sunset

September 1, 2014

Saturday, September 6, 2014 - 10:00 A.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street

Orange, New Jersey 07050

Johnathan Bond, Officiating

Robin Bond, Organist

Obituary

Lucy Virginia Cherry Martin departed this life on Monday, September 1, 2014 at St. Mary's Hospital in Orange, NJ. Lucy was born in Windsor North Carolina on November 24, 1934 to the late Clemon Cherry and Maybell Cherry. The oldest of eight children, Lucy learned the value of hard work by working on the family farm before accepting a job offer to move to New York City where she worked as a domestic housekeeper.

At the invitation of her Aunt Katie Bond, Lucy relocated to Orange, New Jersey where she lived for over 52 years. In 1958, Lucy married Ernest Martin, a life-long military serviceman, and relocated to Europe where she lived for over four years. During her time in Europe, Lucy traveled to many countries including France, Germany and Italy to name a few. She often spoke fondly about that time in her life and desired to revisit Europe again someday. In 1962, Lucy returned to Orange, New Jersey and worked for the Economy Book Bindery Company for over 20 years until the company's closing. For the remainder of her work life, she was employed as a home health service aid until her retirement.

Lucy was an avid bowler. She was a member of many bowling leagues in Orange and won several tournaments. She was proud of the many medals and trophies she accumulated over the years.

Lucy's favorite pastime was watching sports – especially football. During football season, she looked forward to spending all day Saturday and Sunday watching local college teams and her favorite – the New York Giants.

Lucy was well liked in the Orange community and made many friends over the years. To know Lucy, was to know a straight shooter who would give you a piece of her mind, greet you with a smile, and extend a hand to a friend in need. Lucy's spirit and good humor has left a lasting impression on all that knew her.

She will be truly missed.

Preceding her in death was her only child, Shirley Levon Cherry; six siblings: Alberta Veale, Hattie Ward, Betty Wilkens, Clemon Cherry Jr., Shirley Bazemore and Peggie Brown.

Lucy is survived by her grandson Michael Paul Cherry; two great-grandchildren Samirah Me'Shay and Michael Paul Cherry Jr; one sister Mamie Ward; one great-aunt Katie Bond, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Sleep on dear Lucy and take your rest. Until we meet again, rest in the Lord.

Order of Service

Scripture Reading
Roy Bond

Prayer
Johnathan Bond

Selection
Joktan Bond

Remarks
Open 2 minutes

Obituary
Jeffrey Harley

Selection
Joktan Bond

Eulogy
Johnathan Bond

Committal
Johnathan Bond

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

Repast

Cross Road Rescue Mission
985 18th Avenue, Newark, NJ 07106

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

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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