# In Loving Memory of



# Katherine Whitfield

Sunrise July 25, 1917 Sunset November 21, 2014

#### Service

Tuesday, December 2, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

#### ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH

211 West 141st Street • New York, NY

#### <u>Obiluary</u>

Mrs. Katherine Whitfield was born in July 1917 in Dougherty County, Georgia to the late Sylvester Murray and Louise Franklin. She attended school in Albany, Georgia with her three sisters, Gussie, Ella, and Willie Franklin and her brother, Eddie Will Franklin. She married John Whitfield, Sr. in 1944. The couple moved to New York City the same year.

Katherine was a devoted mother. She was deeply involved in church and community. She was a member of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church for more than 60 years where she served as a band leader of the Rosary Society, and served the poor through the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Katherine received numerous recognitions and service awards for her dedication and hard work supporting various ministries.

After 35 years of service, Katherine retired from the New York City Board of Education in 1992. She enjoyed her work with children as an education assistant at P.S. 119 and P.S. 92. She was active in her union, DC 37 and served as shop steward.

Katherine is survived by: her daughter, Cynthia Ashby; her son, Philip Whitfield; her grandchildren, Ronald Whitfield, Pamela Hanley, John Whitfield, Kandra Ashby, Craig Ashby, Sophia Whitfield, and Miles Whitfield. She leaves behind three greatgrandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, John Whitfield, Sr. and sons, John, Ronald, and Gregory Whitfield.

Katherine was a social, active woman who was deeply devoted to her church, family, and community. She took great joy in traveling with and participating in activities with her friends.

Katherine's family and friends will always remember her as a woman of faith, quiet strength, good humor and unfailing love.

## Mass Of Christian Burial

GATHERING HYMN "Shall We Gather at the River"
GREETING
PROCESSIONAL""Abide With Me"
LITURGY OF THE WORD
PLACING OF THE PALL
PLACING OF SYMBOLS
FIRST READING
RESPONSORIAL
SECOND READINGPaul to the Romans 6:3-9
GOSPEL
HOMILY
GENERAL INTERCESSIONS
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST
OFFERTORY HYMN" "I Surrender All"
COMMUNION HYMN"I Am the Bread of Life"
MEDITATION HYMN "How Great Thou Art" (SOLO)
OBITUARY
REMARKS
COMMENDATION
RECESSIONAL "Soon and Very Soon"

<u>Interment</u>

Long Island National Cemetery Farmingdale, New York

## This Old World

This old world I'll see no more

Pain and suffering for me Is out the door

Oh, what a journey this will be Knowing my Father in heaven is walking with me.

Don't be afraid I'll be alright I'm cradled in Jesus' arms He's holding me tight

I needed this rest
Only God knows best
For those I've left behind
Don't worry, I'm fine,
Victory is mine.

### **Acknowledgement**

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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