## In Loving Memory of



# Ann-Sylvella Clark

*Sunrise* April 3, 1943 Sunset
November 24, 2014

Service

Saturday, December 6, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

#### Perry Funeral Home

34 Mercer Street • Newark, New Jersey 07103
Reverend Wallace K. Thomas, Officiating
Timothy Rawls, Organist

<u>Obituary</u>

Ann-Sylvella Clark was born on April 3, 1943 in Beckley, West Virginia to the late Charles Clark and Mary Baldwin.

**Ann** relocated to Elizabeth, NJ at an early age and received most of her schooling in that city. Central High School in Newark, NJ was her alma mater after moving here.

Ann attended Keypunch Operators School and was employed by New Jersey Blue Cross/Blue Shield in downtown Newark upon graduation. She remained there until being hired by Western Electric Company, also located in Newark. Later she worked for Lucent Technologies before retiring in 2000.

Ann-Sylvella was preceded in death by her youngest son, Eric Moore.

Ann-Sylvella is survived by: her remaining son, Kyle Moore; her former husband, Jesse Moore; and a host of family members and friends.

#### Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Organist
Prayer of Comfort	Reverend Wallace K. Thomas Greater Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C.
Scripture ReadingsOld Testament New Testament	Missionary Linda D. Thomas
Solo	
Acknowledgements	Michelle Brewer
Remarks	(2 Minutes Please)
Obituary	(Read Silently)
Eulogy	
Benediction	Reverend Wallace K. Thomas
Recessional	

**Eremation** 

Fairmount Crematory Newark, New Jersey

### A Story About Mom

Decades ago my mother related a story to me whose significance I only now fully appreciate. She became very, very sick when she was about ten or eleven years old. Her temperature was so high she was placed in an ice bath in a desperate attempt to save her life. It was while she was in this condition that she had an NDE (Near Death Experience). In it, she described herself as standing on the opposite side of a river where there was a field she described as the most peaceful and loving thing she had ever seen. Her only wish was to cross over the river, but a voice told her it was not yet her time. She felt herself return to her body and her fever miraculously broke. I cannot help but think how comforting and sustaining those words, "not yet your time", must have been throughout her life. It must be how she was able to endure ongoing sicknesses and ailments — and how, until her death, she was the unofficial longest lived sickle cell survivor known. It must have been how she was able to survive the premature deaths of her mother, father and It must be how she withstood the various other heartbreaks and disappointments that also occurred. At 2:10 a.m. on the morning of November 24, 2014 she returned to that river. But this time she was allowed to cross and is now able to fully feel that love and peace she had experienced in her youth. Today we are here to rejoice and celebrate — not mourn- her entry into that beautiful, shining place.

-Kyle

#### <u> Acknowledgements</u>

The Family of Ann-Sylvella Clark with deepest gratitude, acknowledge all of the cards, prayers, calls and many acts of kindness extended to them during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.

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