

Homegoing Celebration
For

Ada C. Calloway



Sunrise
August 20, 1931

Sunset
December 22, 2014

Tuesday, December 30, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
1025 Bergen Street
Newark, New Jersey
Rev. Philip A. Gilmore, Officiating
Emory Lee, Organist

Order of Service

- Organ Prelude.....Emory Lee
- Words of Assurance.....Min. Raise' Hamlet
- Scripture Reading.....Min. Raise' Hamlet
Old Testament – Psalm 23
New Testament – 1 Thessalonians 4:13
- Hymn of Comfort.....“His Eyes Are On The Sparrow”
By Candice Gourdine
- Remarks.....Open
- Acknowledgements Fatimah Pryor
- Reflection of Life**Fatimah Pryor
- Eulogy.....Rev. Philip A. Gilmore, Pastor
St. John’s Community Baptist Church, Newark, NJ

Interment
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

*Immediately following the interment repast will be held at
St. John Community Baptist Church, Newark, NJ.*



Reflections of Life

On December 22, 2014, the beautiful and feisty **Ada Calloway** was called on by the Lord. Ada Calloway was born on August 20, 1931 in Abbeville, Alabama. She was the middle child of the late Edward and Rosie (Mother) Thompson.

In 1947, the family moved to Newark, New Jersey. Ada attended the Newark Public Schools and was employed as a professional seamstress at Bartley Garments in Newark until her retirement.

Ada was a devoted wife to the late Aaron Calloway for over 50 years. We never needed to go to the Comedy Club, because they always had us laughing!

Ada was known in the community as a great cook. Many in the neighborhood knew they could always get a good meal at her home. To support her love of bingo, she was always willing to care for children. She enjoyed shopping and going to Atlantic City.

Ada enjoyed her life and truly enjoyed being with family and friends. She was always reminiscing about the past and telling her versions of events which sometimes differed from the actual version. She was very outspoken and was never hesitant to tell you what was on her mind.

Ada was the beloved mother of five children and is survived by her two daughters, Cynthia Calloway and Brenda Robinson; 11 grandchildren, Wesley Johnson, Eric Johnson, Sharonda Johnson-Ali (Sayfullah), Shakeerah Johnson, Rabiah Thompson, LaTressa Thompson, Sameerah Calloway, Omar Calloway, Sadiq Calloway, Nadirah Davis (Richard II) and Habeeb Robinson; 23 great-grandchildren, Aliah Johnson, Shane' Hamlet, Ebony Hamlet, Shanta Johnson, Jihad McCollum, Aamina McCollum, Wesley Johnson III, Brooke Patrick, Mu'adh Pierce, Ma'isa Pierce, Hudhayfah Pierce, Nafiz Calloway, Taevonne Calloway, Zamamuri Marrow, Omauri Calloway, Omar Calloway Jr., Omayya Calloway, Kamora Calloway, Zayinah Coeman, Sharief Arrington, David Sanders Jr., Nadir Sanders and Richard Davis III; 3 great-great grandchildren, Taylor Welborn, Zion Savage and Shaton Laing; one sister-in-law, Vabroee Thompson; one aunt, Laura Mae Thompson; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Ada is joined in eternity with her parents Edward and Rosie Thompson; her children Evelyn Johnson, Yvonne Thompson and Haleem Abdullah and grandson Yasin Robinson. The siblings awaiting her harmonious arrival are sisters Velma Wilson and Cora Johnson; brothers Monie Thompson and Robert Thompson.

The family has so many great memories of grandma and we are grateful to have had her in our lives.

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Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.
-author unknown*

Pallbearers

Eric Johnson Jihad McCollum
Omar Calloway Habeeb Robinson
Richard Davis

In Appreciation

The family of **Ada Calloway** wishes to express a heartfelt thank you to our family and friends for the acts of kindness and love and support during this difficult time.

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