

Celebration for the Life of
Marlene J. Wilson

Sunrise

May 11, 1944

Sunset

January 20, 2015



Thursday, January 29, 2015 - 12:00 Noon

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

Patrice Fullwood, Officiating

Elder Clarence McFadden, Eulogist

Reflections of Life

Marlene J. Wilson was born at the Paterson General Hospital on May 11, 1944.

Marlene attended the Paterson Public School system. As a child she joined St. Augustine Presbyterian Church along with her family.

Marlene was a people's person so naturally she went on to become a social worker. She began her second career in social work at Concerned Parents for Head Start Program in Paterson, NJ as a family worker in a pre-school setting. Marlene helped many, many families while working there. In 1995, she graduated from William Paterson University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. Marlene was involved with the Grandparents as Parents Taskforce. She also helped to empower people in the community to advocate for their rights and the betterment of their families.

She was elected to the Alpha Kappa Delta National Honor Society and Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority. During her career Marlene distinguished herself by earning outstanding observations for excellence in Health, Social Work and commendations from Administrations, Parents and Peers alike. Marlene has directly worked with and represented her agency for the New Jersey Head Start Association and Staff Affiliate as Parliamentarian and Treasurer, the Emergency Food Coalition of Passaic County, The Passaic County Council on Alcoholism, Drug Abuse Task Force, their Regional Substance Abuse Cluster and the United Way of Passaic County. She is a lifetime member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and a member of The American Association for Retired Persons and the National Association of Social Workers. She was also registered in Who's Who Among Executive and Professional Women.

Marlene was a caring and giving person with a heart of gold. When she partied she was the one on the dance floor until the end. Marlene was full of life and she will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ellsworth Wilson and first husband, Sam Williams, her father, Joseph J. Harris, three brothers, Robert Harris, Stephen Harris, Dennis Harris and one sister-in-law, Jean Harris.

Marlene J. Wilson departed this life on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

Her memory will live on in her daughter, Samantha "Wanda" Jordan of Paterson, NJ; mother, Mamie Harris of Paterson, NJ; two sisters, Betty Bellamy and Kathy Flemmings of Paterson, NJ; two brothers, Ronald Harris of Piscataway, NJ and James Harris of Ewing, NJ; three sisters-in-law, Cynthia Harris of Piscataway, NJ, Larene Harris of Cleveland, OH and Ola May Harris of Ewing, NJ; one brother-in-law, Manley Flemmings of Paterson, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and family members.

Order of Service

Patrice Fullwood, Officiating

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Selection

Reflections of Life

Words of Comfort

Elder Clarence McFadden

Recessional

Interment

Cedarlawn Cemetery

Paterson, New Jersey

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **Marlene J. Wilson** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

May God Bless and Keep You!

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