

Celebration for the Life of
Deaconess
Marie (Lawson) Booker Josey



Sunrise

September 24, 1933

Sunset

January 19, 2015

Friday, January 30, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

GILMORE TABERNACLE LOOK & LIVE MINISTRY

68 Haledon Avenue

Paterson, New Jersey

Elder Thomas P. Farrar, Pastor

Reflections of Life

Deaconess Marie Lawson Josey was born on September 24, 1933 in Lugoff, South Carolina to the late Frank and Lillian (Grant) Lawson. She was the youngest of thirteen children brothers Ruben, Jessie, Willie, John Henry, Frank Jr. and James and sisters Betty, Matty, Julia, Alma, Ellen, all deceased and the only surviving sister Orleva Jacobs of Baltimore MD.

Marie attended the public school system of Kershaw county before relocating to New Jersey in 1950. Also known as "Ree" or "Aunt Ree" by relatives she worked at Spotless Cleaners/North Jersey Training School and then Bergen Pines Hospital before retiring in 1996.

She was a member of the Passaic County Grand Jury Association and a faithful member of the Faith Tabernacle Church of 52 Clinton St. which was later moved to 68 Haledon Ave. and renamed Gilmore Memorial Church under the leadership of the late Bishop Clarence and Reverend Dr Allene Gilmore and presently serving under Elder Thomas P. Farrar. She served on the usher board, the choir (back in the 52 Clinton St. days) and served in the church restaurant. She was also a member of the Nurses Unit as well as on the deaconess board.

She was predeceased by her first husband Ralph Alvin Booker and her second husband Deacon Henry Josey along with two sons Ralph Booker Jr. and Frank Booker.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her son, Gregory Booker; five daughters, Dorthy Booker, Mona Booker Taylor, Michelle Booker, Cynthia and Lillie Josey sister Orleva Jacobs; ten grandchildren, Tanya Booker, Cory Davis (Tara), Shashona Parker (Nat), Nakoyss Jackson (Nicole), Falisha Booker, William Booker, Chad Booker, Kashica Dumas (Timothy) John Booker and Michael Booker and thirty five great grands and sixteen great,great grands and a host of relatives and friends.

Order of Worship

Opening Hymn of Praise .. “What Friend We Have In Jesus”

Prayer of Comfort Elder Leonard Gantt

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 91:1-7 Missionary Lois Cherville

New Testament - John 14:1-7 Missionary Sarah Brady

Ministry of Music Tabernacle Choir

Words of Expression Church, Friends and Family

Special Expression Brother Donald Greenwood

Ministry of Music Sister Ruth Davis

Acknowledgements of Cards

and Reflections of Life Sister Jacqueline Jones

Ministry of Music Tabernacle Choir

Words of Comfort.....Elder Thomas P. Farrar, Pastor

Recessional

Interment

Fairlawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

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

*The family of the late **Marie (Lawson) Booker Josey** 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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