

*Celebrating The Life of*



*Ruth Elizabeth Sydnor*

*Saturday, January 31, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.*

**WOODY “HOME FOR SERVICES”**

163 Oakwood Avenue  
Orange, New Jersey 07050

*The Very Rev. Petero Sabune, Officiating*  
*Myron Smith, Organist*

## *Obituary*

**Mrs. Ruth E. Sydnor** was a teacher and social worker who dedicated her life to the education of young children. She was born in Richmond, VA to Fred and Ruth Burwell. The family moved to Wallington, New Jersey where Ruth attended and graduated from Passaic High School.

After high school Ruth moved to Virginia where she attended college and graduated with a degree in education from what is now Virginia Union University. She moved to Philadelphia where she would meet her first husband and the father of her two daughters, Margo and Tracy. She moved with Cosmo Morgan to Cleveland where she lived until 1970. She worked with the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center and then as the Director of the Cleveland Head Start Program.

She remarried in 1970 and moved to Orange, New Jersey, with her husband, Joseph Sydmore. She worked in early childhood education with the Englewood Board of Education and with the Essex County Vocational and Technical Careers Center where she was the Director of their pre-school program.

She returned to school and completed her Masters Degree in social work from the Bank Street School of Education in Manhattan. She completed her full-time career as a social worker on the child study teams of the Montclair School System. She retired from the Montclair Board of Education in July of 1995 though she would continue part-time employment with the Middlesex Head Start Program until 2002.

After a long illness, she departed from this life on January 25, 2015. She is survived by her two daughters Margo Morgan Ruffin (David) and Tracy Morgan Diaz (Roy) as well as a host of friends, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

# Order of Service

Seating of The Family.....The Funeral Director

Hymn of Comfort.....“Blessed Assurance”

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 27.....Margaret Lowe

New Testament - Proverbs 31:24-31.....Crystal Daniels

Revelation 21:2-6

Solo.....Stephanie Gaines

Remarks.....Family and Friends (Two Minutes Please)

Acknowledgements and Obituary

Solo.....“The Lord’s Prayer”.....Tyrone Dunlap

Eulogy.....Rev. Petero Sabune

Committal

Recessional.....Clergy and Family

## **Cremation (Private)**

*Rosedale Crematory*

*Orange, New Jersey*

### **Repast**

Following the service, the family cordially invites  
you to join us at Libretti 's Restaurant located at  
554 Nassau Street, Orange, New Jersey

*Please make donations to the Alzheimer’s Association National Office,  
225 N. Michigan Avenue • Chicago, IL, 60601, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org)*

# *When Tomorrow Starts Without Me*

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgements*

The family of **Ruth Elizabeth Sydnor** would like to express their deepest appreciation for the many prayers, expressions of love and kindness extended to us during our time of bereavement.

May God Bless You

*Sincere gratitude and a special thank you is extended from the family to her care givers of many years: Lois (Angel) Bacon and Torethea Pates.*

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