

A Celebration of Life for



Julia Elizabeth Pelham

September 26, 1929 - January 26, 2015

Service

Thursday, February 5, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

12-14 Midland Avenue
Montclair, New Jersey

Reflections of Life

Julia Elizabeth Pelham nee Brooks was born on September 26, 1929 in Heathsville, Virginia to the late Sterling and Maggie Brooks. She was the oldest of five sisters.

Julia was baptized at an early age at the First Baptist Church and later became a member of Macedonia Baptist Church located in Heathsville.

Julia was educated in the Northumberland County School System and soon after graduating from high school, she relocated to the Baltimore, Maryland area to stay with relatives. She spent several years there before moving to the Essex County area in New Jersey where she met and married the love of her life, the late William T. Pelham, Sr. From this union they were blessed with one son and two daughters.

Julia was employed by the Realty Maintenance Company and she worked for them until her retirement at the age of 62.

Julia was a member of Union Baptist Church –Montclair for many years and attended services regularly until her health prevented her from attending.

Julia departed this life on January 26, 2015 and leaves to cherish her memory: one son, William T. Pelham, Jr. and daughter-in-law, Diane Pelham, Dublin, GA; daughters, Deborah A. Powell, Philadelphia, PA and Yvonne E. Pelham, Montclair, NJ; four grandchildren, Christopher Powell, Brandon Powell, Andre Pelham and Derek Pelham; 5 great grandchildren; two sisters, Bernice (Willie) Allen, Newark, NJ and Louise G. Keeve, Burgess, VA; one brother-in-law, Fred Lawrence, Montclair, NJ; and a host of relatives and friends.

She is predeceased by two sisters, Elsie Blyden and Shirlene Lawrence, two brothers-in-law, Carl Blyden and Carrollvernon Keeve and one granddaughter, Felicia Morgan.

*Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.*

Order of Service

The Prelude

The Viewing

The Procession.....“Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand”-Hymn #248

The Invocation.....Rev. Dr. Campbell B. Singleton, III – Senior Pastor

Congregational Hymn..... “It is Well – Hymn” #189

The Scriptures

Psalm 23

John 14:1-6

The Prayer of Comfort.....Deacon Waulina Pelham
Bright Hope Baptist Church

Hymn of Comfort.....“Amazing Grace”
Terrance Eugene Lawrence Brooks

Remarks.....Grandsons of Julia Pelham

Acknowledgements and reading of obituary.....Carla Blyden Burgess

The Message.....Rev. Dr. Campbell B. Singleton, III – Senior Pastor

The Invitation to Discipleship

The Closing Prayer

Benediction

The Closing Hymn.....“When we all get to heaven-Hymn” #429

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Montclair, NJ

Repast

*DC Rice Hall-Union Baptist Church
Montclair, NJ*

Pall Bearers
Family and Friends

I will praise thee oh Lord because you heard my cry. You heard me when I cried” Why didn’t you take Mom when she suffered her strokes. I will bless thee oh Lord when you answered, her room isn’t ready yet I will praise thee oh Lord when I cried again, when Mom’s health began to fade, how much more Lord? I will bless thee oh Lord as I wait upon your answer. I will praise thee oh Lord as your grace and mercy abounds-blessing my family with precious memories I will bless thee oh Lord and thank you for blessing me with the opportunity to live out your commandment Honor thy father and mother. I will praise thee oh Lord as you put the finishing touches on her room I will bless thee oh Lord when the time comes when you say to your daughter, it is time for you to come home, your room is ready, come so you may have peace and rest. I am waiting for you with open arms. I will praise thee oh Lord.

Deborah Powell

Acknowledgement

We thank all of you for your love, support, prayers and many kind expressions of sympathy.

We acknowledge with grateful appreciation all that you have done to comfort our hearts and encourage our faith.



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