## Celebration of Life Mother Rebecca Petry

Sunrise December 3, 1924

Sunset February 15, 2015

Monday, February 23, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

MORNING STAR FULL GOSPEL ASSEMBLY 464 E. Tremont Avenue • Bronx, NY 10457

Elder Rubin S. Thompson, Pastor Bishop Charles H. Harris, Sr., Sr. Pastor & Overseer

Elder Susie Washington, Officiating

## <u>Obituary</u>

**Mother Rebecca Perry** was born December 3, 1924 to the late Isabel "Blossom" and William Perry in Beaufort County, South Carolina.

At a very young age, Mother Perry was a skilled sharecropper who moved on to labor in a fertilization plant prior to migrating North. Although Mother loved the South, her determination to make a better life for her children soon brought her to New York where she resided until her passing.

Mother, being one of nine children, had six brothers: Efrom, Charlie, Sam, Freddie, Joseph and Willie, and two sisters, Jane and Elizabeth, who preceded her in death. Her only living sister, Rebecca Teal, currently resides in New York, New York. Many of her family and friends referred to Mother as "Sister" for which her siblings affectionately named her early on as a reminder that they were extremely inseparable. To her grand, and great-grandchildren she was simply "Becca" who never wavered on the amount of love and affection that she showed each one individually.

Mother Perry's love for God and the church exceeded everything, and led her on her spiritual journey. She joined Morning Star Full Gospel Assembly in October of 1994 under the leadership of Bishop Charles H. Harris, Sr. Mother Perry belonged to our Mother's Board and became one of the pillars who worked untiringly until she was no longer physically able to do so. One of her favorite songs she ministered during testimony time was "Come On In The Room".

She is survived by: her loving children, Robert Perry (Karen) of New York, New York, LaVerne McCanic of Parker's Ferry, South Carolina, Earthell L. Bell (Alexander) of Bronx, New York, Kenneth "Wally" Perry (Vivian) of Binghamton, New York and Roy R. Jones of Bronx, New York; fourteen grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

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Pulpit Expeditor	Elder Rashan Austin
Prayer of Comfort	Elder Ella Kilpatrick
	17)Elder Gregory Battey Elder Selena Berkeley
Selection	Celestial Choir
Selective Remarks	Kenneth "Wally" Perry Rev. William Smalls Mother Dorothy Miller (MSFGA)
Reading	Roy Jones
Selection	Fatima and Iesha (Grand nieces)
The Obituary & Acknowledgement of Cards	Elder Dessie Gilcrease
Selection	"Peace In The Valley"
Eulogy	Elder Susie Washington Morning Star Full Gospel Assembly
Selection	Celestial Choir

**Committal & Recession** 

<u>Interment</u>

Mount Rest Cemetery • Butler, New Jersey

## **Repast** Deacon Greene Fellowship Hall Morning Star Full Gospel Assembly

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free; I took His hand when I heard Him call; I turned my back and left it all. If my parting has left a void; then fill it with remembered joy. My life's been full, I savored much, good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; Oh yes, these things, I too will miss. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief; don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and share with me; God wanted me now, He set me free.

## II Timothy 4:7-8

"I fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing."

Acknowledgement

The family would like to thank everyone for all acts of kindness extended to them in their time of bereavement.

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