

*In Loving Memory of*  
**Shahidah Muhammad**



**Dolores Edward**

*Sunrise*

August 30, 1936

*Sunset*

March 15, 2015

*Service*

Friday, March 20, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

**FIRDOUS FUNERAL CHAPEL**

579 Grove Street • Irvington, New Jersey

*Imam Abdul Aleem Razzaqq, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Dolores Edwards aka Shahidah Muhammad** was born August 30, 1936. She was the oldest of six children born to the late Oliver Edwards and Talaha Muhammad at the Newark City Hospital.

She was the mother of four children, Shahid (deceased), Jamillah, Furqan and Yusuf.

Shahidah is survived by: her three children; one sister, Hajjah E. Sabreen Muhammad; two first cousins, Vivian Burke and Lillian Evans; fourteen grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren; two great great-grandchildren and a host of other family, friends and loved ones.

Shahidah passed this life on March 15, 2015 at Newak Beth Israel Hospital. May Allah forgive her sins, have mercy on her soul and enter her into paradise. Ameen.



# Janazah Prayer

(Funeral Prayer)

The deceased Muslim is placed horizontally in front of the Imaam who stands, according to the Sunnah, at the shoulder of the deceased. The believers stand behind the Imaam. There is no Ruke (bowing) or Sujuud (prostration) in the prayer. The prayer is conducted in an upright standing position, Qiyam and contains four takbirs.

**FIRST TAKBIR:** The Imam says “Allahu Akbar” (God is Greatest), raising his hands to his ears and placing them between the chest and the navel. The followers do the same. The Imam recites the Al-Fatihah, The Opening, *In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Most Merciful, Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds; The all Merciful, the ever Merciful, The Possessor of the Day of Judgement. You only we Worship and only Your help we Seek. Guide us to the straight Path; the path of those whom you Bestowed your grace and mercy And not of those who encourage Your wrath.*

**SECOND TAKBIR:** The Imam says “*Allahu Akbar*” without raising his hands. The followers repeat. They then invoke Allah’s blessings upon the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) by reciting Salaatu ‘Alan Nabiyy. “*O Allah, shower Your Mercy upon Muhammad and the followers of Muhammad, as You showered Your Mercy upon Ibrahim and the followers of Ibrahim. Behold You are Praiseworthy. Glorious, Oh Allah, shower Your Blessings upon Muhammad and the followers of Muhammad as You showered Your Blessings upon Ibrahim and the followers of Ibrahim. Behold, You are Praiseworthy, Glorious.*”

**THIRD TAKBIR:** After the third takbir, the Imam and believers pray for the deceased by saying the following:

*“Oh Allah, forgive those of us that are alive and those of us that are dead, those of us that are present and those of us who are absent; our minors and our elders; Oh Allah, whomever of us you keep alive, let him live as a follower of Islam and whosoever of us you cause to die, let him die as a believer.”*

**FOURTH TAKBIR:** The Imam says “Allahu Akbar and the believer repeat. They proceed with:

*“Oh Allah, do not deny the reward which is due him, do not expose us to temptation after his death. Forgive us and him.”*

The Imam concludes the prayer with:

*“As Salaamu ‘Aiaikum wa Rahmatullahi”\** and the believers repeat.

*\*Peace and Mercy of Allah be upon you.*

*Interment*

Forest Green Park Cemetery  
Morganville, New Jersey

**A**llah - there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the

Sustainer of [all] existence. Neither drowsiness overtakes Him nor sleep. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. Who is it that can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is [presently] before them and what will be after them, and they encompass not a thing of His knowledge except for what He wills. His Kursi extends over the heavens and the earth, and their preservation tires Him not. And He is the Most High, the Most Great.

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