



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Carolyn Deloris Graham Degraffenreid*

*Sunrise*  
*July 2, 1953*

*Sunset*  
*April 24, 2015*

*Service*  
*Saturday, May 2, 2015 – 11:00 a.m.*

*Gravel Hill Baptist Church*  
*525 Clinton Avenue • Newark, New Jersey*

## Obituary

**Carolyn Deloris Graham Degraffenreid** was born in Rocky Mount, North Carolina on July 2, 1953 to the late Deloris Graham Cureton and Fred Lee Cureton. She later moved to Newark, New Jersey. She departed this life April 24, 2015 in Newark, New Jersey.

**Carolyn** was educated in the Newark Public School System, graduating from South Side High School in 1972. She was well known there for her very witty personality. Carolyn started working at Art Metal in 1980 and later moved on to work for Bayada Nursing and St. Barnabas Health until 2013.

**Carolyn** was the type of person who always helped anyone with anything, and she kept a smile on her face. She loved to have fun, she was outgoing and outspoken, and she had a respect for others. She will be missed by many.

**Carolyn** attended New Salem Baptist Church and later joined Gravel Hill Baptist Church where she was recognized as “Sister Graham”. To her family and friends she was “Carol” or “Grandma” to her granddaughter, Sister Nana and Cousin Rabirah.

**Carol** leaves to cherish her memory: two daughters, Fifi Monique Graham and Sameerah Ann Henderson (from another mother); two sons-in-law, David Bittle and Randy Kano; one granddaughter, Lafefah Saborah Graham and her husband, Kenneth Derique Watson; one great grandson, Chase Cash Watson; one aunt, Carrie Buckman; one brother, Robert Lamont Graham; one God-sister, Florence Rodgers; a niece she raised, Gigi Buckman; her stepfather, Howard Lightfoot; children she adored, Shahir, Aaliyah, Hadiyyah, Legend, and Faye (Faith); and a host of nieces and nephews from her brother. She also leaves behind her daughter’s father, Al Hassan Muhammad (Eddie).

# Order of Service

## **Processional**

### **Selection**

*Felisha Arlington*

## **Scripture Readings**

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

## **Prayer of Comfort**

### **Selection**

*Candice Floyd*

## **Acknowledgements**

## **Obituary Reading**

*Consuela Royal*

### **Selection**

### **Eulogy**

## **Recessional**

### *Interment*

Rosemount Memorial Park  
Newark, New Jersey

# *I Said A Prayer For You Today*

*I said a prayer for you today  
And know God must have heard.*

*I felt the answer in my heart  
Although He spoke no word!*

*I didn't ask for wealth or fame  
(I knew you wouldn't mind).*

*I asked him to send treasures  
Of a far more lasting kind!*

*I asked that He be near you  
At the start of each new day;  
To grant you health and blessings  
And friends to share your way!*

*I asked for happiness for you  
In all things great and small.  
But it was for His loving care  
I prayed the most of all!*

## *Acknowledgements*

*The Family of Carolyn Deloris Graham Degraffenreid with deepest gratitude, acknowledge all of the cards, prayers, calls and many acts of kindness extended to them during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.*

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