

Celebrating The Life of
Hercules Gray



Sunrise

November 2, 1924

Sunset

October 30, 2015

Saturday, November 7, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Rev. James Murray, Officiating

Order of Service

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-4

Prayer of Consolation Rev. James Murray

Musical Selection

Expression of Love

Reflections from Family (3 Minutes Please)

Acknowledgements & Condolences

Obituary (Silent Reading)

Eulogy Rev. James Murray

Benediction Rev. James Murray

INTERMENT

Monday, November 9, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

Glendale Cemetery

Bloomfield, New Jersey

Repast

883 Sanford Ave.

Irvington, NJ 07111

Obituary

On October 30, 2015 **Hercules Gray** slipped away peacefully into the arms of our Lord. Hercules was affectionately known as “Herky,” she loved her family. Herky enjoyed sitting in the kitchen watching her favorite shows and eating good food surrounded by her loving sisters.

Hercules was born to the late Ed and Sarah Murray on November 2, 1924 in Vance, South Carolina, she was the sixth of seven children. Hercules was educated in her hometown of Vance, South Carolina. She committed her life to Christ at the Springfield Baptist Church in Eutawville, South Carolina.

Hercules was married to the love of her life, the late Samuel T. Gray, they adored their daughter the late Sarah Ann “Cutts” Taylor.

Herky suffered a stroke in the late 70's, with the grace of God and the help of her family, she led a joyful life. Hercules never complained about her disabilities, she had a positive outlook on life.

Hercules was employed at Evans Ruler Company, Inc. for over 20 years and served as a Union Rep.

She leaves to cherish her memories: one sister-in-law, Ollie Mae Wilson of South Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Hercules was predeceased by three sisters, Dora Shuler, Blanch Jamison, Sarah Bell Murray, and three brothers, Mc Queen Murray, Jacob Murray Sr. and Saul Murray Sr.

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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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