



*A Celebration  
of Life for*

*Troy Mae Ames*

*"Mrs. Troy"*

**Sunrise**  
***October 17, 1921***

**Sunset**  
***November 16, 2015***

*Friday, November 20, 2015 - 12:00 Noon*

**COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH OF ENGLEWOOD**

**224 First Street • Englewood, New Jersey 07631**

## Obituary

**Ivy Mae Ames** was born on October 17, 1921 at Roosevelt Hospital in New York to Annie Frances Bailey of Jamaica, WI and Adrian Brooks. She had three sisters, Louise Anthony, Carmen Vaughn and Joyce Brooks who predeceased her.

She was educated in the NYC School system, moving to the Bronx at the age of 14. On February 5, 1939, Ivy married Morris James Whiting and to that union, one daughter was born-Elaine Joyce Whiting.

As a young woman, Ivy was a very popular and well known Barmaid in Harlem, New York. She was a class act. It might be said that she was an Icon. She was known for her stylish dress, quick wit, no nonsense attitude and jovial personality. She loved to party, travel and have a good time. She loved music, especially Jazz and the Blues. In addition, she loved to play Pokeeno, Scrabble, Jeopardy and the slots at the casino. More times than not, she was a winner. Everyone who knew her loved her.

Ivy moved to New Jersey in 1960, where she resided until her transition. She was employed as a family nurse for the Sieminski family for many years in Saddle River, NJ. She was employed by the City of Englewood under James Pleasant for three years assisting residents with finding employment and obtaining other necessary assistance, until with the help of Police Captain Kenneth Tinsley, becoming employed by General Motors which she retired from after 19 years in 1991.

Ivy was an active member of various fraternal organizations until the time of her passing. She was a member of Ideal Temple #290, where she served in many different leadership roles in multiple departments. She served as Daughter Ruler from 1970-1974, Financial Secretary from 1994-2011, State Directress for 22 years, Past Grand Daughter Ruler, Grand Directress of Fire and Safety, just to name a few. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary #58, Order of Eastern Stars and AARP of Englewood. Additionally, she worked at the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward voting polls until the age of 93, and even there, she was running things.

Ivy accepted Christ in her youth, but began her relationship and walk with the Lord in 1994, when she joined the Community Baptist Church of Englewood. She served on the Pastor's Aid, Faith Partners and on the Sarah M. Clark Mother's Ministry. When she was unable to attend regular Sunday worship, she would attend Strength at Noon.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter, Elaine Alston; five grandchildren, Melvin Jay Scudder, Melanie Louise Scudder (friend- James Watson), Ivy "Cupcake" Annette Scudder, Carmen Voncele Smith (Gary) and James Walter Lawrence (Vanessa); five great-grandchildren, Jihad Zakee Scudder (mother Deborah Alkins), Ivy Alisha Busby, Sara Scudder, Stacey Smith (Sheldon), Jeffrey Alkins; three great-great grandchildren, Zadia, Tarahji and Jihad Zaphir Scudder; nieces, Laurie Vaughn and Amena Rogers both of Florida; her adopted family, The Timmons family; loving caretaker and daughter, Jettie Ruth; granddaughter, Arlene "Tootsie"; great grands, Amani and Emmanuel Timmons; honorary son, Alphonse Moore (Annie); friends, Georgianna Wright, Mary Daniels, Martha Harrison, Julia Caldwell, Jean Vass, Mattie Blackwell, Gene and Hortense Marshall; and a host of others, far too numerous to mention.

# *Order of Service*

**Invocation**.....Rev. Dr. Lester W. Taylor, Jr.

**Opening Hymn**

**Scriptures**

Old Testament Reading - Psalm 23..... Melanie Scudder (Granddaughter)

New Testament Reading -1 Thess. 4:13-18.....Rev. Ivory Bryant

**Prayer of Comfort**.....Rev. Gwynne Burt

**Musical Selection**

**Resolution & Condolences**.....Church Secretary

**Reflections from family**.....Jill Maxwell-Family Friend  
Melvin Scudder-Grandson  
Ivy Scudder-Granddaughter

**1 Corinthians 13**.....Stacey Smith

**Obituary**..... Jihad Z. Scudder (Great-Grandson)

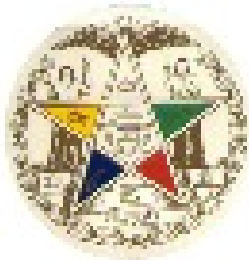
**Musical Selection**

**Message of Hope**.....Rev. Dr. Lester W. Taylor, Jr.

**Closing Hymn**

**Benediction**.....Rev. Dr. Lester W. Taylor, Jr.

**Recessional**



## **Interment**

Maple Grove Cemetery  
Hackensack, New Jersey

# 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
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