

Homegoing Celebration for
Anna Roberts

Sunrise
August 13, 1928

Sunset
May 16, 2017



Thursday, May 25, 2017 - 12:00 Noon

NEW A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

153 Lawrence Place

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Odinga Maddox II, Pastor

Obituary

Anna Roberts was born on August 13, 1928 to the late John and Mary Striggles in Screven County, Georgia. Anna departed this life on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Paterson, New Jersey.

Anna accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at a young age while attending Letts Chapel Church. She graduated from the Screven County Training School and completed some credits at Savannah State College.

Anna was united in holy matrimony with Earl Roberts, Jr. To this union four children were born: Florence, Prince, Sandra and Carolyn.

Anna relocated to Paterson, New Jersey and was employed at Delta Coil for a few years, and Bergen Pines Hospital Paramus until retirement.

Anna became a member of the New African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Paterson many years ago. She served on the Legionnaires Auxiliary and was the Vice President for a few years. She was also a member of the church's seniors group. She enjoyed cooking, crocheting, working on crossword puzzles, and reading the Word of God daily. Everyone enjoyed eating her sweet potatoe pies. She was a kind, gentle and soft spoken, virtuous woman of God. She was and is loved by many.

Anna was preceded in death by her spouse, Earl Roberts, Jr.; a son, Prince Roberts; sisters, Florence Vedier (Morris), Marie Powell (Chester), Inez Deas (Frank); brothers, Palmer Striggles, Archie Striggles, John Striggles (Virginia); son-in-law, Julius Mattocks.

Anna leaves to cherish precious memories: three daughters, Florence Hamilton (Joseph A. Jr.) of Savannah, GA, Sandra Mattocks of Paterson, NJ and Carolyn Roberts of Paterson, NJ; daughter-in-law, Fannie Roberts of Paterson, NJ; grandchildren, Ursula Perry (Rodney) of Racine, Wis, Oneka Thorpe (Rickey) of Atlanta, GA, Monique Hamilton of Atlanta, GA, Rashida Mattocks of Paterson, NJ, Jahmeelah Mattocks of Paterson, NJ, Terry Roberts of San Diego, CA; great grandchildren Terrina, Terryan, Camden, Chandler, Kaylan, Rylee, Kaiden; one great-great granddaughter, Teniyah; three sisters-in-law, Marion (who was like a daughter), Willie Mae and Ada Mae; one brother-in-law, Johnny; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

Order of Service

MUSICAL PRELUDE

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

“I’ll Fly Away”

READING OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

READING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

John 14:1-6

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SELECTION

New A.M.E. Zion Church Combined Choir

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, RESOLUTIONS

REFLECTIONS

(2 minutes per person please)

READING OF OBITUARY

Patricia Clayton

SELECTION

EULOGY

Reverend Dr. Odinga Lawrence Maddox, II

BENEDICTION

Interment

Fair Lawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

I've Changed My Address

I've changed my address to Heaven
I've crossed the Great Divide.

I know there's no sorrow or crying,
Because I've reached the other side.

I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place where you'll find me.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
I bid this world goodbye.

I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky.

I have no burdens or heartaches
and from tears I am now free.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place to find me.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
I'm safe forevermore.

For the Lord built a mansion
and my name is on the door.

You can find us walking together,
for where He is, I'll always be.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place you'll find me.

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Anna Roberts** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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