

A portrait of Ida May Stewart, an elderly Black woman, wearing a white wide-brimmed hat and a red and white striped jacket. She is looking slightly to the left with a gentle expression. The background is a soft-focus landscape with a blue sky and greenery.

Celebrating The Life Of
Ida May Stewart

Sunrise
June 13, 1915

Sunset
March 17, 2005

"... the dead in Christ shall rise first"
- 1 Thessalonians 4: 16

Service

Saturday, March 26, 2005 - 8:30 a.m.

WAKE-EDEN COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

2074 Strang Avenue • Bronx, New York

Officiating Ministers

Reverend Dr. Samuel G. Simpson, Pastor

Reverend Audley Robinson (Interment)

Reflections Of Life

Ida May Stewart was born to Emyline Jacob and George Jacob on June 13, 1915 in Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies.

On December 12, 1937, she was united in Holy Matrimony to Joseph Henry Stewart. This marriage produced six children, Marjorie, Dennis, Vinne, Patrick, Beverly and Daniel. She later migrated to the United States in the 1970's.

Mother Stewart, as she was known to her church family, accepted the Lord as her personal Savior in 1946 and served him faithfully until the end of her life. She loved the Lord sincerely and devoted her life to serving Him wholeheartedly and doing His will. Mother Stewart's desire was to win more souls for the Lord. She accomplished this by distributing tracts to those she came in contact with and by visiting hospitals and prisons. She was an active member in the Assemblies Of The First Born Church in Jamaica, W.I., and also in the Wake-Eden Community Baptist Church, Bronx, NY. She followed the admonition found in 1 Thessalonians 5:18 "*In every thing give thanks...*"

While in the United States, she worked as a Nurses Aide until her illness prevented her from continuing.

She finished her course on Thursday, March 17, 2005, leaving for us an example of a life that was fully dedicated to the Lord.

Mother Stewart is survived by: her husband, Joseph Stewart; and their six children. She also leaves behind 15 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren; and a host of sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, other relatives and friends.

Although Mother Stewart will be missed, we know that she is now with the Lord enjoying His presence.

Order of Service

Prelude Musician

Processional / Hymn “We’re Marching To Zion” (#524)

Invocation Reverend Dr. Samuel G. Simpson

Scripture Readings Patrick S. Stewart
Old Testament - Psalm 90: 1-12
New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Selection “It Is Well With My Soul” (#410)

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Morris Dubidat
Grace & Truth Christian Fellowship Church

Solo Colleen P. Stewart

Reflections Of Life Samuel P. Stewart

Tributes Reverend Dr. Stanley Allen
Full Gospel Fellowship Christian Church
Deacon Peter John
Wake-Eden Community Baptist Church

Selection The Wake-Eden Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy Reverend Dr. Samuel G. Simpson

Hymn of Invocation “What A Friend We Have In Jesus” (#182)

Instructions Funeral Directors and Staff

Benediction Reverend Dr. Samuel G. Simpson

Recessional “When We All Get To Heaven” (#514)

INTERMENT

Nassau Knolls Memorial Park Cemetery
Port Washington, New York

*Following the interment, family and friends are
invited to return to the church for the repast.*

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,

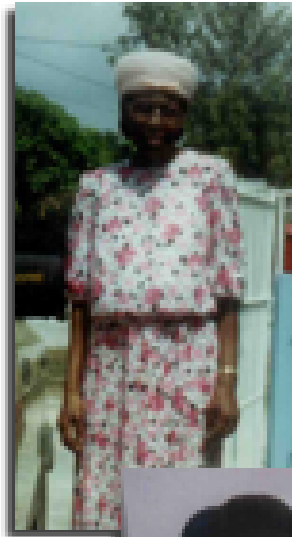
a loved one's touch.

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!



Acknowledgements

The family of **Ida May Stewart** acknowledges
with deep appreciation all acts of kindness
extended to them during this time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you all.

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