

A portrait of Ruth Durham Clarke, a woman with short dark hair, wearing a white and blue patterned top and a pearl necklace. She is surrounded by large yellow and orange roses. The background is dark with some green foliage.

Homegoing Service
for

Sunrise

December 11, 1926

Sunset

May 25, 2010

Ruth Durham Clarke

Service

Tuesday, June 1, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. MARKS A.M.E. CHURCH

34 High Street • Cranford, New Jersey

Rev. John C. Justice, Pastor

Life Reflections

Ruth Louise Durham Clarke was born on December 11, 1926 in Cranford, New Jersey, to the late Oliver and Hester (Burrell) Durham.

Educated in the Cranford Public School System, she graduated from Cranford High School in 1944. Ruth was employed by the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, Newark, New Jersey. She was employed with this company until her retirement.

On October 27, 1963, Ruth married George Ernest Clarke and from this union two children were born, a daughter, Sharon and a son, Gary.

Ruth was a long time member of St. Marks A.M.E. Church, Cranford, serving on the Usher Board and she was a member of the Choir.

She was a devoted “Mother”, an avid reader, lover of jazz music and a former model.

Ruth Louise Clarke passed away on Tuesday, May 25, 2010. She was predeceased by her husband George, parents Oliver and Hester; four brothers, Oliver, Curtis, Marvin and Clyde; two sisters, Elizabeth and Shirley.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: her children, Sharon and Gary; three brothers, Ferman of Albuquerque, NM, Alfred (Fannie) of Brielle, NJ and Ronald (Patricia) of GA; two sisters, Bernice of Westfield, NJ and Lois (Paul) of Washington, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Submitted In Love and Sorrow
The Family

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude Robert Jelks

Congregational Hymn “God Will Take Care of You”

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Terrilisa Bauknight

Scriptures

Old Testament – 23rd Psalm

New Testament – John 14:1-6

Words of Comfort

Obituary Tracey Bauknight Johnson

Solo

Eulogy.....Rev. Paul D. Bauknight, Sr.

Organ Postlude

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

*The repast will be in the Church Fellowship Hall
following the interment.*

Services Entrusted To:

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Crossing The Bar

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from
out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;

For though from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

----Alfred Tennyson

Honorary Pall Bearers
Members of the Family

Acknowledgement

We acknowledge with sincere appreciation your expressions of kindness and sympathy extended during the passing of our loved one.

THE FAMILY