

In Loving Memory of



Serena M. Jackson

Sunrise
June 17, 1951

Sunset
March 15, 2011

Service

Sunday, March 20, 2011 - 4:00 p.m.

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

10 Nelson Avenue
Hawthorne, New Jersey

Brother James Joynes, Officiating

Reflections of Life



Serena M. Jackson was born on June 17, 1951 in Baltimore, MD to Clara E. Walker, and Lee Wallace (predeceased). Serena Jackson died on Tuesday March 15, 2011 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Paterson, NJ.

Serena relocated to East Orange, New Jersey during the early 60's as a teenager. She had three children, William Marshall, Jr., Krystal Neal, and Karream Sheard.

Serena was an outgoing person who loved life and the people in it. She was a loyal friend and good listener to all who confided in her. She was a very dedicated wife and mother and cherished her family. During her lifetime, she was confronted with many challenges and problems, but would always rise above them and endured them all. Once you got to know Serena you had a friend for life. She always spoke the truth to her friends whether you like it or not. But as you reflected on her words of wisdom you knew she was right. She would always stand at your side when you had difficult times and trials in your personal life. When Serena loved she loved deep from the heart and was always available to help you if needed. When you were with her time seem to never move, you just loved spending your time with her. Many nights a call to her was "girlfriend I need to talk and I'll be right over, open the door." Once Serena got hold of you she would never let you go and she would always stand by your side. She was sympathetic to the concerns and feelings of others. Her courage to stand up when the going was tough was a strength she possessed.

For many years in search of gaining a personal relationship with God, she began to study the bible with Jehovah's Witnesses. She knew this was what she was searching for and made a dedication to Jehovah God and symbolized it by water baptism on March 14, 1981. Serena often served as a regular full-time pioneer of Jehovah's Witnesses, teaching many interested ones the things that she had learned in the Bible and the Bible's hope for the future. One of her greatest happiness was to continue to serve Jehovah with her family. Serena's love for people inspired her passion for the preaching and teaching the truths of the Bible. Because of her passion, dedication, and love for Jehovah she was able to aide many to come to a life of serving Jehovah. While she was not always able to serve as a full-time pioneer, her goal was to be able to participate in the full-time work again, the love of her life. Those that had the opportunity to be with her in the ministry knew her love for Jehovah and her attitude of never giving up on life. Her infectious attitude made you spend many hours in service with her.

One fine day, Fred Leroy Jackson came to East Orange to attend a dinner at Clara Walker's home. A friendship ensued and a courtship began and as a result they felled in love and were married on September 13, 1997. When you were in their presence, you knew their love was as strong as the day they said "I Do." They attended the Fairlawn Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses in Hawthorne, NJ.

Serena leaves to cherish wonderful memories: her husband, Fred Leroy Jackson; her children, William C. Marshall Jr., of FL, Krystal R. Neal (Mark) of GA, Karream H. Sheard, Michelle Jackson, Darrin Jackson of NJ, and Tonya Jackson of MS; mother, Clara E. Walker; (Step-father, Leslie S. Walker, predeceased); father-in-law, Fred Jackson; brother, Lemuel S. Walker (Alexis); sister, Patricia Pamela Salandy, sisters-in-law, Deborah Knight (Tony) of MI, Awanda Goodson (Eugene), Desiree Thurmond (Walker) and Shevonne Herald of NJ, brother-in-law, Genicco Jackson, of NJ; twenty-five grandchildren; and one special great granddaughter, Kynnedi Neal; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends and other relatives.

Order of Service



Reading of Reflections of Life

Bro. Chris Caruso

Memorial Discourse

Bro. James Joynes

Song #134

Prayer

Bro. Charlie Davis

When we think of Serena, let us remember one of her favorite scriptures, Isaiah 41:13 "For I, Jehovah your God, am grasping your right hand, the One saying to you, "Do not be afraid. I myself will help you."



Acknowledgement

The Family of **Serena Jackson** wishes to express their thankfulness for your words of encouragement, acts of kindness extended to them during their time of grief. We appreciate every gesture of support and your continued love for us.

We wish to acknowledge the staff at Englewood Hospital and her doctors; Dr. Steven Samuels, Dr. William Clark, Dr. David Lee, Dr. Kirk Levy and Dr. Nate Lebowitz for their professionalism, courtesy and attentiveness but most important their love while caring for her.

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