

*Homegoing Service For*  
*Joyce McNeill Barnett Wells*

Sunrise:  
September 25, 1953

Sunrise:  
January 15, 2018



**Service**

Monday, January 22, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

**Clair Memorial United Methodist Church**

679 Communipaw Avenue • Jersey City, New Jersey

*Rev. Dr. Donald Medley, Pastor/Officiating*

*Rev. James Cameron, Eulogy*

# **LIFE STORY OF** **JOYCE ANN MCNEILL BARNETT WELLS**

*2 Timothy 4:7-8 (GW)*

*7 I have fought the good fight. I have completed the race. I have kept the faith.*

*8 The prize that shows I have God's approval is now waiting for me.*

On September 25, 1953, JOYCE MCDUGAL entered life ready to take on the world. And as she moved through life, she was as a force to be reckoned with; maintaining a spirit of joy and determination.

JOYCE was educated in the North Carolina school system. Later she relocated to Jersey City with her late husband Edward Lee McNeill. She received a certification as a health care provider and was employed in that field for several years. She later was employed as a dietician with the Jersey City Head Start Program until the time of her illness. She would later be married to Ralph Barnett until his untimely passing.

JOYCE devoted her life to her family. She gave them her full self and resources with an unmeasurable love. From the very first child in her home, she was never without a home without a child. In fact, you can say that her home continually overflowed with childlike joy, even if they weren't always her children doing the overflowing. She would sometimes ask visitors if they would like to take some home with them; but if you dared to try to do so, she wouldn't let you out the door without some bruises.

JOYCE was a woman of faith that trusted God to truly supply her needs. She had no problem believing that she was moving in God's spirit, even if there were times the children may have thought it was some other spirit moving her. But surely, they always knew God placed them in the most loving hands possible.

JOYCE entered her well-deserved rest on January 15, 2018.

JOYCE was preceded in death by her father Loosie McDougal and her sister Doris Faulkner. She leaves to cherish her memory her mother, Katie Cameron; her husband, Robert Wells; four daughters: Joyce Lavonne, Lawanda Majette (Dawud), Joyce LaShai, and Latoya Douglas; five sons: Antonio, Edward Lee Jr. (Yolonda), Michael of Wrightstown, WI, Maurice, and Andrew; two sisters, Keja Walcott (Kent) of Maplewood, NJ, and Carolina Dobbins of Spring Lake, NC; one brother, Rev. James Cameron (GERALDINE); a host of grandchildren, Deshaan McNeill Quadasia McNeill, Tanasia McNeill, Tykira Brown, Jamil Cooper, Shiron Cooper, Shanaya McNeill, Shimaya McNeill, La'Tonya Cooper, Shadera Cooper, Micheal Learence, Lamar Learence, LaTasha Williams, LaKeema Williams, Malik McNeill, Dondre McNeill, Chinasia McNeill, Andrew Duncan, Antonio Williams, Danaya McNeill, Edward Lee McNeill III, Zanyah McNeill, Lejoy McNeill, Dequaana McNeill, Mechla McNeill, Aniaya McNeill, Davon Williams, Aaliyah McNeill, Alaziah McNeill, Janasia McNeill, Tyasia McNeill, Heaven McNeill, Ranubian McNeill, Elijah McNeill, Assim McNeill, Jahzarra McNeill, Davonte McNeill, Jahzar McNeill, Jaidan McNeill, Edeshia McNeill, Great Grandchildren, Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews, Cousins, Extended Family and Friends.

*Order of Service*

MUSICAL PRELUDE ..... ORGANIST

PROCESSIONAL..... CLERGY AND FAMILY

INVOCATION ..... REV. DONALD MEDLEY

SELECTION ..... CHOIR

PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... PASTOR GERALD CAMERON

SCRIPTURE:

OLD TESTAMENT-PSALM 91:1-4

REV. DANIEL COOPER

NEW TESTAMENT- MARK 13:31-37

PASTOR ..... GERALD CAMERON

SOLO - "I KNOW I'VE BEEN CHANGED" ..... BARBARA SHARP

OBITUARY/ACKNOWLEDGMENTS ..... TINA ALLEN MOORE

REMARKS .....2 MINUTES FAMILY AND FRIENDS

SELECTION ..... CHOIR

EULOGY ..... REV. JAMES CAMERON

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## “GONE HOME”

The time came for me to go, I heard my Master's call.  
Know that I love each of you, I'll be waiting for you all.  
He said he would fix all my ails, I left with a smile on my face,  
Smiling not because I left you,  
But because I'm in a better place.  
I told him I was tired of fighting,  
he said the battle was already won.  
“is it really my time to go Master?”  
His reply, “Well done servant, well done.”

## *Thinking of You!!!!*

I thought about you today, and yesterday too.  
There was a miss communication and now I am here without you.  
We've heard of times like this, but never would have guessed it would be without you!  
You have earned your wings and now its time to fly.....we love you but this is not a goodbye.  
You'll always be here and that's a must,  
God is taking care of you because you have taken care of us!!!!  
So As we all come together on this day I stand here and would like to say.....  
you are the part of me that will always be missing.....  
down from tying my shoes to cooking in the kitchen.....  
I captured your footsteps for those I shall live in...  
rest well my beautiful angel and say hi to those who are missed.....  
my breath of fresh air and my last kiss  
Joyce LaShai McNeill

## *Thank You*

*The family would like to thank everyone for your expression of love and care.  
The kindness and prayers that you shared with us made an unbearable  
experience far more gentle and tender.  
May God bless each of you.*

*If we can ever be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to ask.*

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