

*Celebrating The Life
Of*

Susie May Joyner

*Sunrise
May 10, 1926*

*Sunset
March 26, 2019*



Wednesday, April 3, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

66 South Grove Street
East Orange, New Jersey 07018

*Rev. Dr. Joseph Oniyama, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Denise M. Wooten-Troutman, Officiating*

*The word is a lamp
unto my feet and light unto my path
Psalm 119:105*

The Magic of a Grandmother's Touch

*There's magic in a Grandmother's touch,
and sunshine in her smile.*

*There's love in everything she does
to make our lives worthwhile.*

*We can find both hope and courage
Just by looking in her eyes.*

*Her laughter is a source of joy,
her words are warm and wise.*

*There is a kindness and compassion
to be found in her embrace,
and we see the light of heaven
shining from a Grandmother's face.*

Reflections of Life

Susie May (Trower) Joyner, was granted her angel wings on Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at the age of 92. She was born on May 10, 1926 in Orange Memorial Hospital, Orange, NJ to the late George and Hattie Trower. Susie was the second of four children.

Susie was married to the late Edward D. Joyner in January 1951, and four children were born to this union, Sharon Joyner Ryan, Bernadette Harper, Lawrence Joyner, and the late Tawanna Martin. Susie was also the loving mother of Walter Rodgers, from a previous marriage.

Susie was raised in East Orange, NJ and attended the East Orange Public Schools. She was a hard worker during her school years and after. Susie was often known to work several jobs, having worked for Bambergers and Thomas Edison. In 1975, Susie started working for the United States Postal Service, where she retired in April 2000. Susie was baptized at Union Baptist Church in Orange, New Jersey.

Bowling was her favorite pastime. She enjoyed all types of music, and was even known to like rap. She found pleasure in spending time with people. Susie loved people and people loved her. She enjoyed going to the casinos in Atlantic City and Pennsylvania, and enjoyed playing Bingo, caring for birds and plants. She especially loved preparing fancy dinner parties for family and friends. Susie always had a special love for her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Tawanna Martin, one sister, Helen Trower, two brothers, William Trower and James W. Jones, Sr. and two grandchildren, Towan and Jewel Martin.

Susie leaves to cherish her memory: two daughters, Sharon Joyner Ryan (Patrick), Newark, NJ and Bernadette Harper, Union, NJ; two sons, Lawrence Joyner (Brenda), Union, NJ, Walter Rodgers (Dena), Irvington, NJ; and one sister-in-law, Connie Trower. Susie will be sadly missed by her twelve grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, seven great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. Susie will be sorely missed by her lifetime friend, Betty Monroe-Key.

Precious Memories



Order Of Service

- Processional.....Clergy and Family
- Lighting of Candles.....Master Al-Tariq Green
Master Namir Mallard
- Musician (*Pianist*).....Michael Parker Sr.
- Selection.....Psalmist Felisha Farrah
- Scripture Readings
Old Testament - Psalm 23.....Master Isaiah White
New Testament.....Ms. Carmen Gilbert
- Selection.....“Amazing Grace”Tayanna Hernandez
- Prayer of ComfortRev. Willie Washington Jr.
- Selection.....“We Shall Behold Him”
- Acknowledgements/Resolutions.....Rev. Joyce Huggins
- Selection.....Tayanna Hernandez
- Reflections (Two Minutes).....Clergy, Family and Friends
- Reading of Obituary.....Rev. Joyce Huggins
- Selection.....Psalmist Felisha Farrah
- Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. Denise M. Wooten-Troutman
Workman Devoted To Edifying The Body of Christ Evangelistic Church
- Recessional.....Clergy and Family

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

Repast

*Following the Interment family and friends are invited to
return to the church for a repast.*

To Those I Love

*To those I love and those that love me,
When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I travel alone
So grieve for a while for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you so soft and clear
And then, when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say,
"Welcome Home."*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgements

The family has great respect, appreciation and love for all the friends, the family, clergy, and others who gave their services, support and prayers to honor the legacy of our beloved Susie May Trower Joyner who is now with the LORD!
- The Family

The Trower, Joyner, Rodgers, Ryan family expresses their deep appreciation to Rev. Dr. Joseph Oniyama for the use of Calvary Baptist Church sanctuary and facilities. We thank Psalmist Felisha Farrah, Michael Parker Sr., Mrs. Anita Gregory "Anita's Catering", Michael K. Troutman Jr., and our "Grandchildren" for the Praise & Worship portions of our Celebration Of Life Service.

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