

*In Loving
Memory
of*

LaVerne R. Moreland

*Sunrise
July 25, 1942*

*Sunset
March 26, 2019*

*Service:
Friday, April 5, 2019 - 11:00 am*

Abyssinian Baptist Church
224 W Kinney St, Newark, New Jersey

Pastor Rakeem S. Thomas, Sr., Senior Servant

Obituary

We celebrate the life of LaVerne Rose Moreland, “Babysis” age 76, who died on the morning of March 26, 2019, in her home. In allowing ourselves to understand that she has moved on to her place with God, let us reflect on the journey of life.

LaVerne was born to the late Artie and Mary Nelson on July 25, 1942, in Newark, NJ. She was the youngest of 3 siblings. The oldest brother was the late Jacob Yarbrough and her sister, the late Mary Benson. LaVerne attended East Orange High School and graduated from there in 1959. LaVerne then went to work at AT&T, retiring from there after more than 30 years service. In 1967, she married her husband, the late John Moreland. They remained married for 29 years until his passing in 1996.

LaVerne loved God and she loved her church. She has been a faithful member of the Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church since 1953. During these years, she was committed to the work of the church. Over the years, she served on the E.J. Chorus, the Adult Choir, the Mass Choir, Pastoral Care Ministry, the Culinary Ministry, and the Servers Ministry. She was known to always bake cakes for various events at the church that so many enjoyed. Last but not least, LaVerne's pride & joy ministry to serve on was the Usher Board. For years, she was the lead servant of the Ushers. A highlight for her was the Ushers Annual Day and all of the preparations to make that annual day at Mount Pleasant a success. The Sunday before the Lord transitioned her from earth to glory, LaVerne was doing what she loved doing in the church...USHERING!

She was preceded in death by, John, her husband of 29 years; her brother, Jacob Yarbrough; her sister, Mary Benson; her parents, Artie and Mary Nelson.

LaVerne is survived by nieces, Dolores Benson, Sharon Taylor and Tiyana Cureton; nephews, Larry Minter, Keith Benson and Brian Benson. Lastly, she has left behind a whole host of loving family members and friends. She will be sorely missed!

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Poem

Tiyana Cureton (Niece)

Hymn

Obituary & Acknowledgments
Tommea Henson (Grand-Niece)

Remarks

Poem

Anton Rudolph, Sr. (Grand-Nephew)

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

Repast:

Immediately following the Interment at:
Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

Acknowledgement

*The family of **LaVerne R. Moreland** wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.*

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