

*Celebration  
of Life  
for*

*Martha  
L.  
Tyson  
"Ms. Martha"*

**Sunrise  
August 24, 1935**

**Sunset  
April 2, 2019**



## *Reflections of Life*

**Martha Lee Tyson** was born on August 24, 1935 in Tuskegee, Alabama. She was the daughter of the late Sarah Cowan and Tommie Lee (step-father).

She attended school at Bethel Grove School which was also apart of the church. She later relocated to Paterson, New Jersey where she was employed by Visiting Homemaker until she retired in 1999.

Martha was an amazing woman. She was loving, caring and full of life. She love to laugh and tell jokes however most of all she adored her children and grandchildren. She was a strong willed woman that always protected her family members!

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mitchell Staton, her daughter, Josephine Tyson and her son, Anthony Tyson, her brother, Elbert Cowan and her sister, Juanita Moses.

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019, Martha departed this life.

She leaves to cherish great memories: Her loving children, Shirley (Willie) Salters, Rudolph Tyson, Garfield Tyson, Johnnie Lopez, Denise Lopez. 15 grandchildren, Alvin (Karchine) Whitlow, Lavonia (Douglas) Graham, LaTrina Salters, LaTina Salters, Tarkisha Tyson, Juanita Frame, Anthony Moore, Al'she Moore, Antoinette Tyson, Alice White, Latoya Forbes, Rakim Fabor, Ashley Lopez, Shaquille Fabor, and Asim Lopez, her adopted granddaughter, Karina Adams; 21 great grandchildren, Latrice, Latasha, Marquis, Kieyah, Shamir, Cozir, Teonna, Yousef, Dehvon, Sulamir, Jazmier, Jahmiera, Sanai, Pha'eva, Lyife, Lyric, Alshe, Izaine, Ivy, Lyon and Jayden and great great grandson Logan; two brothers, Tommie Cowan Jr, William Cowan, four sisters, Mary Howard, Mildred Cowan, Bernice Gotrell and Florida Gunn; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. She also leaves to cherish precious memories her long time best friend, Shirley Marie Barrett and her special friend, Douglas Riley.

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

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*Order of Service*

Prelude/Processional  
Pastor Arlie Shropshire

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament -Denise Lopez  
New Testament -Ashley Lopez

Solo  
David King

Reflections of Life  
Tina Davis

Remarks (Poem)  
Ashley Lopez

Words of Comfort  
Pastor Arlie Shropshire  
*Neighborhood Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ*

Recessional

**Interment**

Arlington Cemetery  
748 Schuyler Ave. Kearny, New Jersey

## *Safely Home*

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in Heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder I so calmly  
Trode the valley of the shade?  
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined  
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me  
In that way so hard to tread;  
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,  
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,  
For I love you dearly still:  
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,  
Pray to trust our Father's Will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth -  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home:  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh, the joy to see you come!*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late Martha L. "Ms. Martha" Tyson wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.  
May God Bless and Keep You!

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