

### <u>Reflections of Life</u>

Oh how beautiful are the gifts of our heavenly Father. **Doreatha** (Cowans) Jacobs, daughter of the late Georgia Anna and Lazarus Cowans was born on February 20, 1926 in Bladen County, North Carolina.

She was reared in the Porterville Community and educated in the Bladen County, North Carolina Public School system.

She later met and married John Jacobs on June 10, 1944. He preceded her in death.

At an early age, Doreatha accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and was baptized. She attended the Pierce's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church in Clarkton, NC.

After relocating to Paterson, NJ in the early 1960's, she joined the Second Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Robert Dokes. She also served faithfully under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Alexander McDonald, III. She later decided to become a member of the Seminary Baptist Church under the leadership of her beloved nephew, Rev. Alfred E. Steele.

Mom and Auntie as she was affectionately called, was a hard worker. She was employed as a home health aide for many years. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, doing word puzzles and playing with the family dog, Sparky.

She was preceded in death by her five sisters, Fannie Steele, Beatrice Powell, Mary Jane Chancey, Cora Cowans, Annie Tisdale, grandson, Reno McNeill, and a daughter-in-law, Savannah Ellis.

She peacefully departed this life and entered eternal rest on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at the Regency Gardens Nursing Center in Wayne, NJ.

Dorothea leaves to cherish precious memories: one daughter, Georgia M. McCrae of Paterson, NJ; one son, Luther Theodore Ellis, Sr. of Lanham, Maryland; two grandchildren, Luther T. Ellis, II and Maisha Strong, eight great grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by a host of beautiful and devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, loving neighbors, friends and her dearly loved church family.

### Order of Service

Musical Prelude
Processional
Invocation
Song of PraiseSeminary Baptist Church Choir
Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament
Prayer of Comfort
Musical SelectionSeminary Baptist Church Choir
Remarks and Tributes from the Family
Musical SelectionSeminary Baptist Church Choir
Reading of Acknowledgments and Reflections of Life

Recessional

#### **Interment**

Musical Selection.....Seminary Baptist Church Choir

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery 22-21 Maple Avenue Fair Lawn, New Jersey

The family will receive relatives and friends at the church immediately following the interment for the repast.

# Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of the late **Doreatha Jacobs** wishes to extend grateful appreciation for the many comforting messages, floral tributes, phone calls and other expressions of sympathy in the passing of our loved one. Special thanks to the staff at the Regency Gardens Nursing Center in Wayne, NJ and the Compassionate Care Hospice of Clifton, NJ. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness.

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