



*In Loving Memory of*  
*Winifred Evelyn Whidby Gregory*

*Sunrise*  
*April 2, 1928*

*Sunset*  
*September 2, 2019*

*Service*  
*Wednesday, September 11, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.*

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**  
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

# Obituary

**Winifred Evelyn Whidby Gregory**, known affectionately as “Winnie”, peacefully slept away from this life at the Park Crescent HealthCare and Rehabilitation Center on Monday, September 2, 2019 where she had been a resident for the past 9 years. Winnie was born to the late William and Emma Whidby on April 2, 1928 in Orange, NJ and attended public schools there.

Winnie had a beautiful soprano voice. During her early years, she sang in the Youth Choir at St Marks AME Church in East Orange, NJ where she often sang solos.

Like her mother, Winnie loved the nursing profession. She became a practical nurse and later returned to school to become a registered nurse. Winnie worked in hospitals and nursing homes in New Jersey. Later in her career she also worked in home health nursing.

In 1949, she married Clarence Matthews, but divorced shortly thereafter. Winnie later married Robert “Bob” Gregory. After a long marriage of nearly 25 years he died. Winnie never gave birth to children, but had many nieces and nephews she loved as her own. She also had a loyal short haired fox terrier named Lady who she loved and adored.

Winnie had three sisters Gladys Cowan-Todd, Eldora Reaves (John), and Elaine Caldwell (Homer). Gladys and Eldora preceded Winnie in death. Her youngest sister, Elaine and her husband Homer, reside in Orlando, FL. She also leaves to mourn a host of nephews, nieces and friends.

We will all miss our beloved Winnie.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks  
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

## **INTERMENT**

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey

***Repast is at Family Kings Restaurant  
557 Clinton Ave.  
Newark, NJ***

# *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.*

-Author unknown

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of Winifred E. Gregory wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

**Special Thanks to Park Crescent Nursing Home and Staff.**

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