

*In Loving  
Memory of*

*Frances DeGraffenreid*

**Sunrise: April 23, 1945**

**Sunset: October 6, 2019**

Service

*Friday, October 11, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.*

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## Obituary

*Our hearts are filled with sorrow, but we realized that this homecoming is the greatest experience for **Frances DeGraffenreid**, who departed this life on October 6, 2019 at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City.*

*Frances DeGraffenreid (known to everyone as "Frankie") was born on April 23, 1945 in New York City, to Viola Gregory and Frank Hodges. At the age of 4 she relocated to Boydton, Virginia. At an early age Frances accepted Christ and was baptized and joined St. Paul's Church in Boydton, Virginia. Frances worked at the Novelty Bar in Newark, New Jersey, U.S. Job Corp in Jersey City and in the New York City Garment District.*

*She then found the love of her life her husband of 47 years, Roger DeGraffenreid. They shared a marriage that was worthy of imitating. Their union bore two children, Emma and Roger Jr. With her love for children, Latasha Roger's niece was adopted into their family.*

*Frances was a beautiful, loving, caring and giving person. She always had a smile on her face and it was contagious. Frances would imprint on your heart in a matter of minutes after experiencing her loving soul. She gave her all with no hesitation without the thought of receiving anything in return. She was one of God's angels on earth and will truly be missed. The loss of Frances will leave a void in the hearts of those who knew her.*

*Frances leaves to cherish her fond memories: her husband, Roger Sr.; daughters, Emma and Latasha; son, Roger Jr.; (she's predeceased by her son, Thurston); two sisters, Evelyn McMillian and Mary Oliver; brother, Odell Jr.; four grandchildren, Mark, London, Egypt Cohen and Christen DeGraffenreid; also a host of aunts, nieces, nephews and friends.*

# *Order of Service*

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

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*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

*Interment*

*Ernst Memorial Cemetery  
Parlin, New Jersey*

# *The Chain Will Link Again*

*Little did we know that morning,  
God was going to call your name.*

*In life we loved you dearly,  
in death we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,  
you did not go alone.*

*For part of us went with you,  
the day God called you home.*

*You left us beautiful memories,  
your love is still our guide.*

*And although we cannot see you,  
you are always by our side.*

*Our family chain is broken,  
and nothing seems the same.*

*But as God calls us one by one,  
the chain will link again.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of  
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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