



Sunrise: January 4, 1937 Sunset: October 23, 2019

Friday, November 1, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

## **Porter Memorial C.O.G.I.C.**

677 Ocean Avenue Jersey City, New Jersey 07305 Supt. Nathaniel Porter, Pastor Elder Andre Taylor, Presiding Elder Keith Howell, Eulogist

<u>Obsequies</u>

**Merrill Jackson McCullough** was born in Jersey City, NJ to the late P.G.E.R. Clifford N. Jackson, Sr. And P.G.D.R. Dorothy L. Jackson. She was the third of oldest of ten siblings. Merrill was educated in the Jersey City Public School system, and graduated from Dickson High School.

She joined Pride of Jersey Temple #98 of the improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World in 1980. She had worked on many committee, served as various officers, and was serving as Chairperson of the Trustees when she became ill. Merrill was a member of Northern NJ Past Daughter Rulers' Council, including serving as Treasurer of ten years.

Merrill Jackson-McCullough was a member of the NJ State Daughters of Elks. She had received her Past State President's honors, and was a member of the NJ Past State Presidents' Club. She was also an Assistant Directress of Spelling Bee Department, and helped register the children for the Spelling Bee contest at the State Convention.

She was also a member of the Grand Temple. Merrill Jackson-McCullough received her Past Grand Daughter Rulers' Honors, the highest honors in Elkdom, in August 2002 through the Grand Daughter Treasurer's Department. PGDR Susie M. Banks, Grand Treasurer, and PGDR Barbara Jones, Directress. She was also crowned PGDR Queen at the Annual 2002 Receiving. Merrill was a faithful and dedicated Daughter of the Elks. When she was well, she would attend her meetings and various affairs faithfully.

Merrill worked at Paul Roe Dress Company until they went out of business. She then worked at Pathmark Store, Bakery Department for fifteen years, and also at Public School #15 as a lunch-aid for thirty years. She retired when her health began to fail.

Merrill Jackson-McCullough, wife of Joseph McCullough, mother of six children, eighteen grandchildren, twenty-three great grandchildren and twelve great-great grandchildren.

Merrill Jackson-McCullough was the Mother of True Gospel Holiness Church, Inc. with her Pastor Hattie Ross, Bishop Tommie Howell and First Lady Gertrude Howell.

Also, she was a member of the Seasoned Retiree, a group of senior citizens whom wanted to enhance their lives socially and provide charity to the community.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford N. Jackson, Sr. and Dorothy L. Jackson, brothers, Clifford L. Jackson, Jr., Ronald W. Jackson, James A. Jackson, Raymond E. Jackson, and sister, Lora Lee Tyre.

Merrill leaves to cherish her memories: her beloved husband, Joseph McCullough, children, Dorothy Myrtle McLean, Charles M. Jackson, Anthony P. (&Kala) Jackson, Marvin Jackson, Lavella Jackson, Jannette (&Marfeece) Couch, sisters, Mary Jane Best, Ruth Carol A. Gaines, Ardena L. Jenkins, brother, Robert (&Mary) Jackson, sister-in-law, Ophelia Jackson and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, loving church family and friends.

## Merrill McCullough Will Be Missed

Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy and Family
Presiding Elder Andre Taylor
Musical Selection
Scripture Old Testament Pastor Juana Tyminski New Testament Clergy
Prayer of Comfort Pastor Hattie Ross True Gospel Holiness Church
Musical Selection
Acknowledgements
Solo Michele White
Reflections(2 Mins. per person)
Obituary Raslona Jackson
Musical Selection
Eulogy Elder Keith Howell True Gospel Holiness Church
RecessionalFuneral Director

## **Final Repose**

Bayview Cemetery Jersey City, New Jersey

I Am The Gentle Autumn's Rain

Do not stand at my grave and weep I am not there. I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow. I am the diamond glint on the snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the sentle autumn rain. When you wake in the morning hush I am the swift uplifting rush Of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the soft starlight at night. Do not stand at my grave and weep I am not there. I do not sleep.



Acknowledgements

The Family of the Late **Merrill Jackson McCullough** wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, comforting words, and prayers shown during our time of bereavement.

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The Family Funeral Home, LLC

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