

*Celebrating the Life
Of*



Rosa Mae Calhoun

Sunrise
January 1, 1939

Sunset
December 27, 2019

Service

Saturday, January 4, 2020 ~ 10:00 am

Greater Promise Baptist Church

1241 Union Street

Linden, New Jersey 07036

Minister Randy Smith, Eulogist

Life Reflections

Rosa Mae (West) Calhoun was born on January 1, 1939 in Ashburn, Georgia, daughter of the late Hugh and Mabel West. She was the second eldest of ten children. Upon her graduation from Eureka High School in Ashburn, she moved to New Jersey where she met and married a returning US Army Korean War veteran Melvin Calhoun, Jr.

Rosa accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age, and was a longtime member of Greater Promise Baptist Church in Linden, New Jersey. She served faithfully as a member of the Inspirational Choir and other committees. Her greatest love was teaching at Sunday school and being the Superintendent for over 20 years. She spent many hours reading the Word in preparation for the lessons and she took her children every Sunday.

Rosa was known as a strong loving mother of faith who sought to provide for her three children. If her children couldn't participate in an activity, neither did she. She worked hard and relied on the Lord for her and her family's needs. Her children remembered the tough times and how she prayed and how God answered.

Rosa worked for many years as a Photo Developer. When the industry took a down turn, she returned to school and graduated from Union County Technical Institute in 1977, as a Ward Clerk/Unit Secretary. Seeking to further improve herself through education, she returned to Union County College in 1994 where she successfully completed a Word Processing course.

On Friday, December 27, 2019, Rosa passed away peacefully five days before her 81st birthday.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Melvin Calhoun, Jr.; three loving children: Jeanie Smith (Randy), Melvin Calhoun III, and Reginald Calhoun, Sr.; two sisters: Karen Darden and Queen West; four grandchildren: Trinee Parson (Vernon), Trina Smith, Alexis Calhoun and Reginald Calhoun, Jr.; two great-grandchildren: Vernon and Morgan Parson; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Order Of Service

Musical Prelude

Hymn of Comfort.....“Blessed Assurance”

Prayer of Comfort

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Solo“Sending up my Timber”.....Fred Morrast

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary.....Minister Randy Smith

Solo.....“Trouble in my Way”.....Robert Lee Morrast
Robert Walker, Sr.

Words of Comfort.....Minister Randy Smith

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery

Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

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Family and Friends of **Rosa Mae Calhoun**

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.
Perfect submission perfect delight!
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Chorus

Perfect submission all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Rosa Mae Calhoun** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to bless you.

*Flowers from
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