



Stilder J. Etaits

Sunrise January 1, 1947 Sunset January 15, 2020

Service

Friday, January 24, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH

149 Springfield Ave. • Newark, New Jersey

<u>Obituary</u>

Hilda Gray Batts was born in Wilson, North Carolina. She was one of seven children. She went home to eternal rest on January 15th 2020.

Hilda was educated in the North Carolina school systems. Soon after she got married to William Batts (deceased). Left the south moved to Newark, New Jersey and started a family. By her early thirties she became a widow and was left alone to raise ten children. She always made a way for her children to have food, clothes, and a roof over their heads. Always was very free hearted and giver not a taker.

To those that known HIP (her nickname) knew she loved looking good and always was about her style and fashion, but most importantly she loved her music which she always played loud.

Later in life, she then landed a job doing housekeeping where she retired after twenty years. She knew and loved the Lord and always depended on God who she could always go to when she needed.

She leaves to cherish her memories: three brothers and three sisters, Beth, Cynthia, Constance and Larry, Billy, and William; children, Sandra, Sadelia, Ericka, William, Michael, Shelton, Kelvin, Carl, Ricky, and Melvin; sixteen grandchildren, seven great grandkids. Also additional cousins, nieces and nephews from Wilson, North Carolina, a sister/ friend, Mae Lanier of Trenton, NJ who's been a major blessing in her life.

Order of Service

OFFICIANT - Rev. Dr. David Jefferson Sr.

Processional

Hymn	"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"
	Ecc. 3:1-8 Phil 4:8
Prayer of Consolation	Deacon Jefferson
Hymn	
Acknowledgements	
Remarks	Mike Turley (Coworker) Cheryl Fuller (Niece) Iris Revis (Cousin)
Obituary	Tiandra Watson (Granddaughter)
Hymn/Selection	
Eulogy	Rev. Dr. David Jefferson Sr.
Benediction	
Recessional	

<u>INTERMENT</u> Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free! -author unknown

<u> Hcknowledgement</u>

The family of **Hilda G. Batts** 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.

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