



*In Loving
Memory
of*

Myrtle Mae Drake

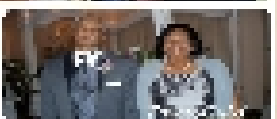
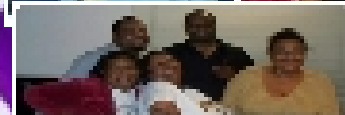
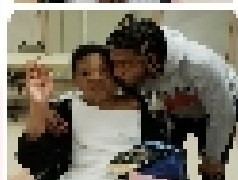
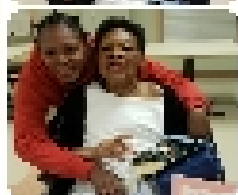
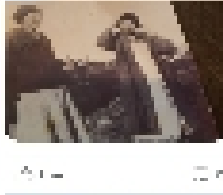
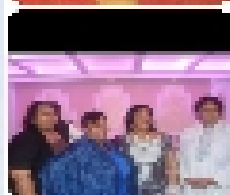
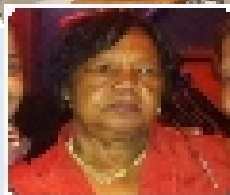
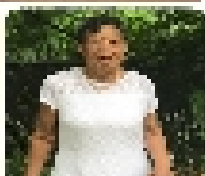
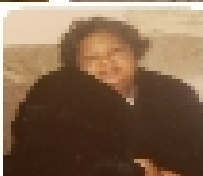
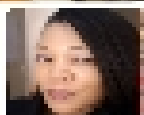
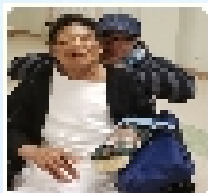
July 1, 1947 - February 23, 2020

Service

Saturday, February 29, 2020 - 12:00 Noon

Clear-Way Baptist Church

747 South 13th Street • Newark, New Jersey



Obituary

Myrtle Drake, 72 entered her eternal rest on February 23, 2020 at her home. Myrtle Drake was born on July 1, 1947 to James and Janie Allen.

Myrtle was a sweetheart, feisty when needed to be but had a heart of gold. She loved her family and friends and made everyone her extended family; which is how she became known to all, as “Grandma Drake or Mama Drake”. She was a giver to all in need without a question and never looked for anything in return.

She was educated at Spaulding High School in Spring Hope, North Carolina. She played basketball and graduated in 1966.

Myrtle left N.C. to relocate to NJ in 1966 where she met her love, Charlie Horton to whom they were blessed with five children.

Myrtle worked for Newark Preschool Council in Newark, NJ.

Her children were everything to her. She loved cooking Sunday dinners for everyone until she fell ill and wasn't able anymore. She ran to their aid when they were sick even as adults. She was truly a family person who loved and looked forward to family gatherings.

In 2003, she became a member of Clear-Way Missionary Baptist Church. She was the head of kitchen committee until her health issues limited her to becoming an usher.

Her church family was so loved by her. She would do whatever was asked of her and served whenever and wherever she was needed.

Her Newark preschool family was also special. She took pride in her job and would get them kids to and from school safely. She would be seen all over the place.

She was something special to all especially when Tony gave her that “officers mother shield”. She thought she was police and didn't hesitate to use it on kids misbehaving.

She is preceded in death by her parents, James and Janie Allen, Nick Drake, Ronald Drake, Eunice Boose, siblings in Christ, James and Janice Beard.

She leaves to cherish: children, Michael Drake, Kenneth Horton, Anthony Horton, Buffy Drake, Charlene Drake and Rondre Kelly; grandchildren, Kianna Parrott, Latoria Hawkins, Kenneth Horton, Jr., Koridian Horton, Raheem Richardson, Rondre Kelly, Jr., Miesha Drake, JaVaughn Horton, Michael Drake, Jr., Kierra Horton, Autumn Horton, Morgan Horton, Reagan Horton, Miyanna Richardson, Michael Townsend and Lamont House; fourteen great grandchildren; siblings, Mary Boose, Brenda Rorie (David), Donnell Allen (Brenda), Angela Allen, and James Allen (Vernell); and goddaughter, Devyn Rorie.

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Reading

Selection

Poem

Zanaijah Harrell (Great Granddaughter)
Family Members

Remarks

Family and Friends
(Two Minutes Please)

Selection

Acknowledgement and Obituary
Louis Streeter

Eulogy

Pastor Paul Graves
Reverend Anche Coley

Selection

INTERMENT

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

*Friends are invited to join the family for a
repast at the church.*

Legacy of Love

*A mother, a grandmother, a sibling too,
This is the legacy we have from you.
You gave us strength, you gave us might.
A stronger person would be hard to find,
And in your heart, you were always kind.
You fought for us
all in one way or another,
Not just as a mother, not just as a sister
For all of us you gave your best,
Now the time has come
for for you to rest.
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,
Your love in our heart,
we'll eternally keep.*

Acknowledgement

The family of **Myrtle Mae Drake** 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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