

# *Celebration of Life for*



***Flora R. Turner***  
***“St. Flo”***

***November 18, 1935 - April 5, 2020***

**Service**

**Monday, April 13, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.**

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**  
**256 Rosa Parks Blvd. • Paterson, New Jersey**

# Reflections of Life

Mother Sarah, St. Flora Ruth Turner was born November 18, 1935, to the late Deacon William and St. Anna Prayer, in Paterson, NJ. She spent the majority of her life in Paterson, NJ where she received her education in the Paterson Public School System. She attended the Woman's College in Bordentown, NJ where she received her Associate's Degree in Childhood Education.

Under the watchful and spirit filled guidance of her parents, she met and married Frank R. Turner, a native of Virginia. From this union, she was blessed with six children. When Flora relocated to Virginia the family would plan a few trips every year across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. We had to make sure we visited Mom. She enjoyed bonding with her grand and great grandchildren. It didn't matter if you arrived at 1pm or 1am, there was a full course meal ready when you got there.

As a humble servant of the Lord, Flora was blessed and baptized in the Church of God and Saints of Christ, attending Tabernacle #2 in Paterson, NJ. Flora was an alto singer in the church's choir. She was faithful in her work for the church and she was elevated to the office of Mother Sarah, where she provided guidance and wisdom to her church sisters and brothers. St. Flora was adored by her church family near and far. She was extremely special to the Central Avenue, Pughsville, Boston and Hyattsville Tabernacles. St. Flora looked forward to attending her church meetings especially the Passover.

Flora worked in the Paterson Public School district for 28 years as a Teacher's Aide. There she nurtured and provided love and kindness to many young minds over the years. In her spare time, she developed a hobby and love for sewing. She made everything from handkerchiefs to church uniforms. Her specialty was towel sets and hand towels for the Deacons and Ministers.

Whether you called her St. Flo, Mom, Aunt Flora or Grandma you know she always served her family, her church, and most importantly served God. She never minced her words, she spoke from her heart, had a spirit of charity and love which overflowed. Her infectious smile, witty sense of humor and thoughtfulness will surely be missed.

She leaves to cherish her memories, her children Linda and James Staton, Frank Turner, James Turner, Tracy James and Anne Johnson. Her grandchildren: Sidney, Sharhonda, Devon, Culliptus, James, Brandon, Felicia, Jimeka, Vanessa, Albert, Athena, Breann, Sartis, Shamelia, Shahta, Laquanda and Ana. Twenty-one great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren. Three sisters-in-law and special friend - companion Melvin Gaskins. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins and her church family.

## Interment

East Ridgelawn Cemetery • Clifton, New Jersey

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