In Loving Memory of Edith A. Harper

Sunrise October 11, 1924

Sunset July 1, 2020

Service

Thursday, July 9, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE 1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey *Rev. Allen Potts, Officiating*

<u>Obituary</u>

Edith Adele Harper was the oldest or four children born to the late Edward and Daisy Wilson on October 11, 1924 in South Boston VA. Edith took her rest on July 1, 2020. She graduated from Booker T. Washington High School at the age of 17.

Edith was married to her "best friend" Frank for sixty years before his death on December 21, 2003. To this union were born three children, Thomas, Shelia, and Lawrence.

Edith was a member of the 1st Baptist Church of South Boston before moving to Danville VA where she joined the 1st Baptist Church of Danville. She was a member of the choir and was also an Usher. No one's child had better misbehave when she was on Duty.

Upon relocating to Newark, NJ, she joined Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church in September, 1961. She was a member of the Inspirational Choir, the Deaconess Board, a Sunday School teacher and President of the Scholarship Committee.

Edith and her husband moved to Charlotte, NC in 1992. There, she was a member of Salem Missionary Baptist Church where she was on the Deaconess Board, a Sunday School teacher, and a teacher of the Married Couples Class.

Edith was fortunate to be a Stay-at-Home Mom until her children were old enough to care for themselves. Upon relocating to Newark, NJ, Edith was employed by the U S Postal Service; retiring after many years of dedicated service.

Edith was a loving wife, a devoted Mother and friend, a student of the Bible, and an awesome cook and seamstress. She took great pleasure in sewing her daughter a new dress every day and cooking wholesome meals for her family. Her family never ate fast foods. She looked forward to hosting the Thanksgiving dinner and seeing to it that everything was piping hot when her family gathered around the table.

Edith was preceded in death by her husband, both of her sons, and her Sisters, Margaret Wyatt and Ruth Wilson. She leaves to mourn her passing, her devoted daughter, Shelia; brother Edward Wilson; her faithful Brother-In-Law, Andrew Wyatt; Granddaughter, Regina Harper; Grandson, Scott Bamberg; her favorite Nephew, Ronald Wyatt; like another son, Alphonso Sadler; Son-In-Christ, Curtis Taylor; nieces Angela Wyatt and Linda Hamilton; Nephew Michael Hamilton, seven great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren, great nieces and nephews, and a host of friends.

Well done thy good and faithful servant. You were faithful until death and God has given you a crown of life. Well done.

Order of Service

| Scripture Reading Old Testament: Ms. Linda Hamilton23 rd Psalm New Testament: Ms Angela WyattI Thessalonians 4:13-18 |
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| Prayer of ComfortMr. Curtis Taylor |
| ReflectionMr. Ronald Wyatt |
| Selection |
| ObituaryMs. Regina Harper-Bailey |
| EulogyRev. Dr. Allen S. Potts |
| CommittalRev. Dr. Allen S. Potts |

INTERMENT

Glendale Cemetery Bloomfield, New Jersey

How Grateful I Would Be To Have, Just One More Day

Kathy J. Parenteau

If I could have just one more day and wishes did come true, I'd spend every glorious moment side by side with you. Recalling all the years we shared and memories we made, how grateful I would be to have just one more day, where the tears I've shed are not in vain and only fall in bliss. So many things I'd let you know about the days you've missed. I wouldn't have to make pretend you never went away. How grateful I would be to have just one more day. When that day came to a close and the sun began to set, a million times I'd let you know I never will forget the heart of gold you left behind when you entered Heaven's gate. How grateful I would be to have just one more day.

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of Edith A. Harper wishes to express our deepest appreciation for the outpouring of love shown to our loved one. Thank you so much.

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