

In Loving Memory of



Marion B. Crawford

March 24, 1922 - August 6, 2020

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

VIEWING: 10:00 - 12:00 NOON

SERVICE: 12:00 NOON

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Obituary

On Thursday August 6, 2020, God sent an angel to summon our dear, sweet, **Marion B. Crawford (Gwella)**. Marion B. Crawford was born March 24, 1922 in Newark, NJ to the late James and Irene Tolbert.

She was a member of Blessed Sacrament Church and of another church. Marion B. Craw was also a member of the Rosary Society. She attended the Newark Public School System, Beauty Culture school and went on to receive her Doctorate degree in Biblical studies from True Vine Bible Institution and subsequently continued on to receive her Master's Degree in biblical theology from Dean Smith Seminary School. Lastly, Marion B. Crawford received a degree in nursing and became a Licensed Practical Nurse and worked at the Martland Hospital (now UMDNJ) for 37 years before retiring.

In her 98 years on earth, Gwella touched so many hearts and changed so many lives. She was truly loved and respected by everyone she came in contact with. Her smile lit any room and her spirit was instantly contagious.

Marion was predeceased by her parents James and Irene Tolbert, her husband Ralph Crawford, sister Dorotheia Smith, her son Ralph Crawford Jr., her daughter Dorotheia Crawford, and her nephew James Smith.

Marion leaves to cherish her memory; her son Andre Crawford, her grand-children, Irene, Jerome, Davonn, Marie, Timothy, Al-Fateem and Ayesha (Crawford), great-grandchildren (17) and (23) great-great grandchildren. Along with her nieces, nephews, and other relatives to cherish her memory.

Order of Service

Welcome and Blessing

Placing of The Pall..... “I Shall Wear a Crown”

Processional Hymn and Solo.....”Going Up Yonder”

Opening Prayer of Consolation

1st Reading from the Book of Wisdom 3:1-9.....Iris Crawford

Responsorial Reading-Psalm 23:“*The Lord is My Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want*”

Iris Crawford

2nd Reading from the New Testament--Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, If we die with Christ, we shall live with Him, and if we are faithful to the End, we shall reign with Him... Alleluia!!

The Reading of the Gospel.....John 14: 1-6

The Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Offertory and Hymn..... “Blessed Assurance”

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord’s Prayer.....Recited

Sign of Christ’s Peace.....(music to be played with virtual sign)

Communion Hymn..... “Give Me A Clean Heart”

Meditation..... “Let The Church Say, Amen”

Obituary.....Read Silently

Final Commendation and Song of Farewell

Recessional Hymn and Solo..... “The Battle is not Yours”

Interment

Holy Cross Cemetery

North Arlington, New Jersey

THE OTHER SIDE

This isn't death, it's glory!
It isn't dark, it's light.
It isn't stumbling, groping.
Or even faith, it's sight!

This isn't grief, it's having
My last tear wiped away.
It's sunrise, it's the morning
Of my eternal day!

This isn't even praying,
It's speaking face to face.
It's listening, and it's glimpsing
The wonders of His Grace.

This is the end of pleading
For strength to bear my pain.
Not even pain's dark memory
Will ever live again.

How did I bear the earth life
Before I came up higher,
Before my soul was granted
It's every deep desire.

Before I knew this rapture
Of meeting face to face
That One who sought and saved me,
And kept me by His Grace!

--- Author Unknown



Acknowledgement

The family of **Marion Crawford** will remember and cherish your many expressions of love, sympathy and prayers so graciously extended. Thank you and may God Bless you.

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