

As We Look Back

As we look back over time
We find ourselves wondering
Did we remember to thank you enough
For all you have done for us?
For all the times you were by our sides
To help and support us
To celebrate our successes
To understand our problems
And accept our defeats?
Or for teaching us by your example,
The value of hard work, good judgement,
Courage and integrity?
We wonder if we ever thanked you
For the sacrifices you made.
To let us have the very best?
And for the simple things
Like laughter, smiles and times we shared?
If we have forgotten to show our
Gratitude enough for all the things you did,
We're thanking you now.
And we are hoping you knew all along,
How much you meant to us.

Acknowledgement

The family of Hazel Kelsey Bagley would like to express Their appreciation and gratitude for the many acts of kindness during their time of bereavement. May God bless you all for your concern.



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Celebration of Life of



Hazel Kelsey Bagley

Sunrise
June 15, 1927

Sunset
February 1, 2021

Service
Tuesday, February 9, 2021 - 9:00 AM

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*In our hearts we'd like to stray
Along the road of yesterday,
To hear you laugh, to see you smile,
To talk with you a little while.
We'd love to linger along the way
That leads us back to yesterday
We know that God's will has been done,
And bid fare well on the race you have run.
Sleep on, now you are at rest
We love you, but God loves you best.*



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Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

A Parting View

Prayer of Comfort

Solo

Scripture

Family Tribute

Acknowledgment and Resolutions
Dr Gwendolyn Platt

Obituary
Dr Gwendolyn Platt

Solo

Eulogy
Rev. Alphonsus Platt

Benediction

Recessional

Interment
Graceland Memorial Park
Kenilworth, New Jersey





Hazel Kelsey Bagley 93, of Hamilton, New Jersey died on February 1, 2021 at home. She was born on June 15, 1927 in Dempster, Kentucky, to the late Redmond Brazil and Mary Sizemore Brazil. She was one of nine children. She was employed by RCA Corp for several years.

Hazel was one of the founding members of the St Matthew Baptist Church in Roselle, NJ, where she sang in the choir and ushered. She started the children's choir "Sunshine Choir" along with her brother. She would transport the children from home to church every Sunday.

Thereafter, Hazel joined First Baptist Church, Kenilworth, NJ, where she sang as the lead in the choir.

Hazel sang at numerous events in the New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York area for Senators, Assembly Men, Mayors, Weddings, Funerals and several religious events. Whenever there was a song to sing, she was always called upon. She had the pleasure of singing at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City. She was often referred to as "The Voice". When she sang people would have shivers going through their body.

She had a voice of an angel that was given to her from our father in heaven. She touched many lives and will truly be missed by all.

Hazel was predeceased by her husband Robert Bagley. She was also predeceased by her sister Ethel Lassiter and four brothers Samuel Brazil, William Brazil, John Brazil and Robert Brazil.

She was a loving devoted faithful daughter, sister, aunt and friend. Hazel leaves to cherished memories of her life with four daughters Lorraine, and Sheila (William) of Hamilton, NJ, Sandra (Rahman) of Linden, NJ and Sherleine of Roselle Park, NJ. Four grandchildren Nicole, Jamar (Ayanna), Samad and William IV. Four great-grandchildren Jahri, Ahriana, Alani, and Josiah. Two sisters Julia Stout, Lillian Crawley (Carlton) and one brother James Brazil (Barbara), 2 sisters in law Laura Brazil of Plainfield, NJ and Mercedes Fitzgerald of Chicago, IL, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

