

*Celebrating of Life*  
*For*



*Essie L. Hill*

**Sunrise**  
**October 25, 1931**

**Sunset**  
**February 3, 2021**

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Christ Church**  
**68 Church St., Montclair, New Jersey**

# Obituary

Ms. Essie L. Hill was born on October 25, 1931, in Lincoln County, GA. She was the youngest of four daughters born to the union of the late Statham and Mary Liza Tate McLendon.

She later moved from Tignall, GA to Greenville, SC before moving to Newark, NJ in March 1954. She worked for a laundry company and a toy factory. Later she worked as a teacher's aide from 1990 to 2007. She really loved working with the children. It brought her so much joy. Her former co-workers and many others referred to her as the sweetest woman they had ever met.

She loved reading her bible and singing spiritual hymns. She also loved to look out the window and pray for the children who were walking by as they headed off to school.

She was a faithful member of First Zion Hill Baptist Church, Miracle Temple and Christ Temple before making Christ Church in Montclair, NJ her church home. She was a faithful member from 2000 until God called her home.

She was preceded in death by her loving daughter Maryam Muhammad, her dear son Garrett Hill and her beautiful granddaughters Muslimah and Al-Nisa Muhammad.

She leaves to cherish many loving memories four daughters and one son: Eva Harris (Atlas Harris), Anna Harrell, Melissa Ormond (Jeffrey Ormond), Michael Jackson and Stephanie Hill. She also leaves eight grandchildren: Terrell Hill, Todd Harris, Crystal Siniari, Sameerah Runnels, Bahiyuddeen Muhammand, Brandon Harrell, Marquis Ormond and Brianna Ormond. She is also survived by ten great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Prayer of Comfort ..... Rev. Willie Freeman

Musical Selection ..... Rev. Ryan Faison

Scripture Reading ..... Jamagne Green-Robinson

Old Testament ..... Psalm 121

New Testament ..... John 14:1 - 4

Remarks / Reflections .....Melissa Ormond;  
Open to others. 2 minute time limit per person

Photo Montage

Reading of Obituary .....Marlene Neal

Musical Selection ..... Rev. Ryan Faison

Eulogy .....Rev. Anthony Franklin

Benediction ..... Rev. Willie Freeman

Recessional .....Rev. Ryan Faison

## *Interment*

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey



## *The Master Called*

I'm sorry I had to leave you.  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But, you see, the Master called me  
And, now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.  
-Author unknown

## *Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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