

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Loretta J. Jenkins*

Sunrise  
November 2, 1942

Sunset  
February 25, 2021

Thursday, March 4, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**  
256 Rosa Parks Blvd., Paterson, New Jersey  
Rev. James E. Salmon, Officiating

# Obituary

Loretta Jane (Carter) Jenkins was born on November 2, 1942 in Paterson, NJ to the late George and Edith Carter. She received her early education at School No. 10 and Eastside High School of Paterson, NJ. She was employed by Wanaque Center and Lakeland Health Care Haskell, NJ for fifteen years before retiring in 2010.

Loretta was joined in marriage on February 25, 1961 to Wilbert Jenkins. From this union two sons, were born. Sebastian Jenkins and Julius Jenkins.

Loretta was one of the most genuine and honest speaking persons that you would ever meet. She was free spirited and open-hearted. (You can ask any of her nieces and nephews). She had that open door policy where she helped everyone out. She also enjoyed bowling, playing bingo and going to Foxwood Casino with her brother, Philip Carter (Her road dog). Loretta also enjoyed watching LAPD.

Loretta was predeceased by her husband, Wilbert Jenkins, brothers, George Carter, Johnny Salmond, Robert Carter, sisters, Doris and Patricia Carter and Judy Mack.

She departed this life Thursday, February 25, 2021.

She leaves to cherish fond memories to a family that loved her dearly, her sons, Sebastian Jenkins, Julius Jenkins; one special daughter-in-law, Barbara Jenkins; only granddaughter, Khadeejah Jenkins; two grandsons, Amir Jenkins and Savon Jenkins; one great-granddaughter, Ah'Mira Jenkins; brother, Philip Carter; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Selection  
“Blessed Assurance”

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection  
Melinda Davis

Acknowledgments & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection  
“Angel” Aretha Franklin

Words of Comfort  
Rev. James E. Salmon  
New Christian Missionary Baptist Church Paterson

Recessional  
“It’s So Hard To Say Goodbye”

*Interment*  
Friday, March 5, 2021 - 9am  
Fair Lawn Cemetery  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

## *To My Family: A Leaf for Me*

I told a friend the other day,  
that I would soon be coming this way,  
I told him this old body is getting weak,  
Surely but slowly, there's a leak,  
Sometimes I would get up and sit back down,  
But still I made it round by round;  
Someone told me about a tree,  
And just one leaf would heal me.  
I knew death was coming as a thief,  
So I asked my friend to pull me a leaf;  
Don't you worry and don't you fret,  
Today, I have not one regret  
No more rocking from side to side.  
I'm going where I will be satisfied;  
No more prescriptions to be filled;  
This old body is already healed.  
This shouldn't take you by surprise,  
I told you I was going to paradise;  
I said it wouldn't be very long,  
You will look for me and I will be gone.  
I've fought a good fight. Between God and me it is all right;  
I don't want you to be sad.  
Rejoice and be exceedingly glad.  
I am not suffering, I have no pain.  
I'm going where there is more to gain.  
I've made it to that tree.  
My friend was waiting with a leaf for me!  
I will tell my mother, father, grandparents, uncles, aunts,  
cousins and friends that you all said hello and are doing well.  
I Love You All

## *Acknowledgment*

The family of the late **Loretta J. Jenkins** 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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