In Loving Memory

of

Mary Catherine Cook

SUNRISE
March 16, 1949

SUNSET
April 8, 2021

The Obituary

Mary Catherine Cook was born March 16, 1949 in Hampton, South Carolina to the late Eugene and Mary Sapp Williams. Mary attended Estill Training School where she graduated in 1967. Shortly after graduation, Mary welcomed her first born son, Bennie Cole in 1969. In 1971, Mary welcomed her second son, Donald Cole.

In 1972, Mary and her two boys had the pleasure of relocating to Brooklyn, NY. In 1973, Mary relocated to Newark, NJ where she met the love of her life, Robert Cook Sr. The two fell in love and on October 31, 1973, the two were united in holy matrimony. In 1975, Mary and Robert welcomed their last son, Robert Cook, Jr. Mary loved taking care of her family.

Mary maintained her independence by working many jobs until she began her career in the Newark Public School System in the 1980's. Mary worked as a Lunch Aide. She later moved up to Security Guard until she finally retired in 2007.

Mary was Caring, Loving and Charismatic. Most importantly, she was the ROCK of her family. She departed this earthly life on April 8, 2021 at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center in Newark, New Jersey.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories: her devoted husband, Robert Cook Sr.; her three loving sons, Bennie (Rovena) Cole, Donald (Fatima) Cole and Robert Cook, Jr.; six sisters, Betty (Willie) Mickle (preceded in death), Mary Jannette Davis, Lenaco Annette (Gary) Mole, Juanita (Berry) Orr, Melissa (Samuel) Brown and Adrienne (George) Martin; four brothers, Eugene (Hattie) Williams, Ronald (Queen) Williams, Sampson Williams and James (Marilyn) Ling; fifteen grandchildren, Shante' (Yaasyin) Mack, Ranear Cook, Donald Cole Jr., Ravon Cook, Shakyya Cole, Corey Cole, Elijah Cole, Kyree Cook, Trevaughn Cook, Altariq Jones, Jasmira Cook, Rajene Jones, Robert Cook III, Ramyre Cook and Ian Cole; eight great grands, Samir Webb (preceded in death), Neveah Steele, Kareem Steele, Thorne Wright, Kylie Lucas, Madison Lucas, Yaazirah Mack and Sanaa Cole.

Order of Service

Saturday, April 24, 2021
Service: 10:00 am

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

Musical Prelude

Processional

Musical Selection ..... "I Shall Wear A Crown"
Erica Johnson

Scripture Readings ..... Rev. Dr. Elijah L. Williams, Jr.
Old Testament ..... Psalm 23
New Testament ..... 1 Corinthians 15:50-55

Prayer of Comfort

Obituary ..... Shante Mack

Acknowledgements

Reflections *(2 minutes please)* .....Family & Friends

Musical Selection ..... "Jesus Is Love"
Erica Johnson

Poem ..... Shante Mack

Eulogy ..... Rev. Dr. Elijah L. Williams, Jr.

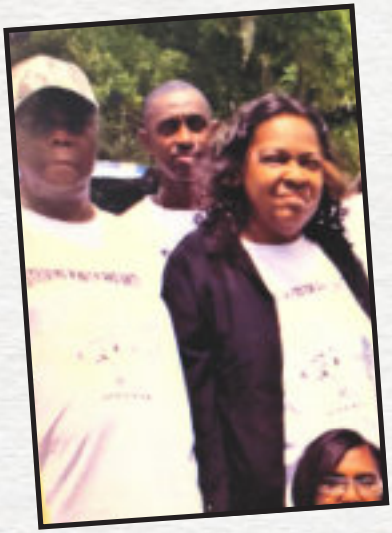
Thank You ..... Erica Johnson

Recessional ..... Clergy & Family

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

Our Final Message



A wife, a mother, a grandma too,
This is the legacy we have from you.
You taught us love and how to fight,
You gave us strength, you gave us might.
A stronger person would be hard to find,
And in your heart, you were always kind.
You fought for us all in one way or another,
Not just as a wife not just as a mother.
For all of us you gave your best,
Now the time has come for you to rest.
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,
Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep.

Thank You

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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