



*Home Going Celebration For*



*Queen Esther Townes*

Sunrise: April 1, 1934


Sunset: May 3, 2022

**FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2022 -11:00 AM**

**St. John's Baptist Church**

525 Bramhall Avenue • Jersey City, NJ 07304

*Rev. Dr. Frances Teabout, Pastor*



# Obituary

## ***A Time to be Born***

*Mrs. Queen Esther Townes was born on April 1, 1934, in Kingstree South Carolina. She was the first-born to the late John William Burrows and Sadie Louisa Burrows. Siblings John Jr., Thomas, James, and Cornelia preceded in death. She leaves to cherish her loving memories her sister, Rusleen Barker.*

*Queen Esther was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and aunt. She leaves to cherish her loving memories sons Pearsall Townes, Roberto Townes, and Levern Townes. Grandchildren: Crystal Ashburn-Perkins (Jerome), Pearsall T.J Townes Jr., Jarred Townes and Jade Queen Townes. Great Grandchildren: Ja'Ceon Perkins, Jerome S. Perkins III, and Prince S. Townes, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.*

## ***A Time to Serve***

*Queen Esther accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and savior at an early age. She lived her life displaying true Christian values. Queen Esther was a gentle, peaceful, kind, and loving woman.*

*Her Christian education and experience included membership at Marion Baptist Church in South Carolina and St. John's Baptist Church in Jersey City, New Jersey.*

## ***A Time to Grow***

*Queen Esther was educated in the Williamsburg, County School system and graduated from Tomlinson high school, in Kingstree SC. She attended Savannah State University. Queen Ester followed in her mother's footsteps and became an educator. While attending Savanah State, she pledged Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority in 1953. Queen Esther's beauty, poise, charm, and outstanding character led her to be crowned homecoming Queen.*

*Queen Esther taught for 30 plus years in the public school of Jersey City, New Jersey. She shaped the minds of her students, and helped them to become productive citizens.*

## ***A Time to Rest***

*Sunset: Queen went into eternal rest on May 3, 2022. Her gentle soul will be missed...*

# Order of Service

Processional

Song

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Kindly Expressions:

Family Tribute:

Resolution:

Acknowledgements

Solo

Recessional

Interment

Benediction



Interment  
Bayview Cemetery  
Jersey City, New Jersey



*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.*

*Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.*

*The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Psalm 121*



## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Queen Esther Townes** wishes to express their sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness show during the passing of their loved one. Your Prayers, visits, telephone calls, and all other expressions of sympathy have been a great comfort during the hours of bereavement and will be gratefully remembered. May God bless you in a special way. The Family*

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