

Reflections of Life

Willie Mae (Sumter) Brown was born July 2, 1928 in Hopkins, South Carolina to the late Francina (Jones) Sumter and Robert Sumter.

Willie Mae was educated in the South Carolina School system. She moved to Paterson, NJ where she was employed as a presser for the Little Falls Laundry Company for years until she retired.

Willie Mae was married to the late Willie Brown and to this union one child was born, Lorraine Brown.

Willie Mae was a faithful member of New Christian Missionary Baptist Church for years. There she served on the Usher Board.

Willie Mae departure this life on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 after a long illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Brown and daughter, Lorraine Brown, her sisters, Wilhelmina Goodwin and Annie Mae Mann and brother, James Sumter; as well as her parents.

Willie Mae leaves to cherish her memories: two grandchildren, Dallas Brown and Damian Brown of Paterson, NJ; three great grandchildren; sister, Mary Sumter of Hopkins, SC; four brothers, Robert (Alma) Sumter of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Leroy (Cora) Sumter and Joseph (Francina) Sumter all of Paterson, NJ and Roosevelt (Ann) Sumter of Columbia, SC; aunt, Martha Jones; goddaughter, Linda Sumter of Hasbrouck Height, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Pastor James E. Salmon, Sr., Presiding

Musicians Deacon Lillian McKenzie
Processional
Solo
Scripture Readings Old Testament - Psalm 121 New Testament - 2 Timothy 4:6-8
Prayer of Comfort
Poem of Comfort by great niece - Shontell Pleasant
Remarks
Solo "Precious Lord" - Deacon Lillian McKenzie
Acknowledgements and Obituary Deacon Pauline Robinson
Solo "I Won't Complain" - Deacon Lillian McKenzie
Message
Closing Selection"I'll Fly Away"
Recessional (Recital)

Interment

Fairlawn Cemetery Fairlawn, New Jersey

No Time for Sad Remembrance

There's no time for sad remembrances Because I'm home where I belong I've conquered all my battles, I've even heard the trumpet's song. I've climbed my highest mountain And I've reached an even peak, And I've found that peace and true reward That you have yet to seek. There's no time for sad remembrances For you have a precious life; So find comfort in my journey Please don't bear this pain and strife. Oh! My Father's house is perfect Just like He said it would be. So dry your tears Because I'm home and now I'm free. I am part of all the beauty That your world has yet to see; So don't be sad about my journey, Just be glad that I am free!

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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