

*In Loving
Memory of*



Hester McClellon

Sunrise
November 4, 1909

Sunset
May 10, 2011

Service

Monday, May 16, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

CANNAN BAPTIST CHURCH

535 Rev. Dr. Gadson L. Graham Way
Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Gadson L. Graham, Pastor
Fred Bowers, Organist

Reflections of Life

Why do we mourn departed friends, or shake at death's alarm?

Tis but a voice that Jesus sends to call them to His arms.

Hester fondly called “Gram ma”, and “Nana” was the daughter of Solomon and Flora Bell (Baxter) Gillis. She was the second oldest of sixteen children. Hester was received on this universe on November 4, 1909 in Raeford, North Carolina and was a joy to her family. She received her education in the public schools of North Carolina. She was converted, baptized and joined Mount Zion Methodist Church at an early age, and worked very diligently therein during her young adult life.

Hester was married to James Edward McClellon and they parented four lovely children. She was a loving mother, training her children to love and serve the Lord.

Hester migrated to Paterson, NJ, in 1958 to vacation with her daughter, the vacation lasted fifty-two years. Gram ma cared for a lot of neighbor's children for them to work. She loved them all, and cared for them as her own. She attended several churches before joining Canaan Baptist Church. Her desire was to work in the church but poor health prevented her from doing so.

Late afternoon of May 10, 2011, at 5:38 p.m., the sweet spirit of our dear loved one went on to join the Savior in that home not built with hands, but whose maker and builder is God. Hester was preceded in death by her mother and father, her only son, one daughter, seven sisters and seven brothers.

She leaves to cherish her fond memory: two daughters, Catherine Clark of Paterson, NJ and Sadie (James) Davis of Mount Vernon, NY; one sister, Janice (Arthur) Byrd of Spartanburg, SC; five grandchildren, William (Betty) McClellon of Beaver Creek, OH, Nolan and Gregory Clark, Angel (Gregory) Clark-Bethea and Leigh White of Paterson, NJ; three adopted grandchildren, Ronald, Gloria and Ricky Chandler of Paterson, NJ; thirteen great grand's; fourteen great great grand's; two great great great grand's; one goddaughter, Ms. Ruby Blash of Paterson, NJ; a multitude of nieces, nephews, grand nieces and nephews, great grand nieces and nephews; great great grand nieces, nephews, cousins neighbors and dear friends.

*“Look at me as you go by,
As you are now, so once was I,
But as I am, so shall you be,
So prepare yourself now
For someday you will follow me.”*



Order of Service

Opening Hymn “Blessed Quietness”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23 Rev. Barry Graham

New Testament - John 14 Rev. Tom Hinson

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Louis Norris
Shiloh Baptist Church

Selection

Acknowledgements
and Reflections of Life Fran Miller

Selection

Eulogy Rev. Dr. Gadson L. Graham

Final Viewing

Recessional

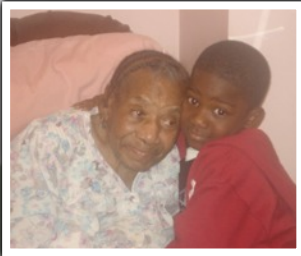
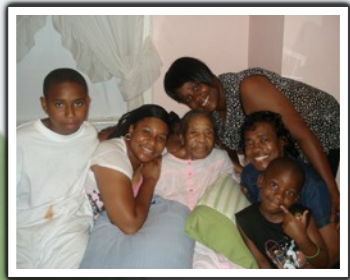
Interment

Fair Lawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey



I'll Be Seeing You!

I am at rest, so don't cry. It will be easier as time goes by. I've done my best to live a good life; for I knew, if I did, I would be with Christ. As my body lies here, it's only a shell. God has called me home and my job I've done well. Now I'm happy and very content. For the things



I repent. You know and I know that it's hard on earth, so you should not cry at death, but at birth. I have no worries, pains or fears. Because I'm with God, so dry



your tears. I love you all and this is what I want you to do. Put God first in your life and I'll be seeing you.



~The Family

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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