

*Cherishing The Memories of*  
*Theresa Agnes Poole*

**Sunrise**  
*August 1, 1983*



**Sunset**  
*July 29, 2011*

Thursday, August 4, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

*Pastor Geraldine Ross, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Theresa Agnes Poole** made her debut into this world on August 1, 1983 at Clara Maass Hospital in Newark, NJ to the proud parents of Mary Ellen Blue-Poole and the late Eddie James Poole.

Theresa graduated from Malcolm X Shabazz High School in Newark, NJ in 2001. While in attendance there she avidly participated as part of the Junior ROTC. After graduation, she began taking courses at Sanford-Brown Academy for Medical Assistance.

She placed her courses on hold to become a mom. She delivered into this world a beautiful baby girl named Faith Destiny Poole. Theresa taught Faith sign language so that she and mom could speak with one another due to a language barrier issue. Theresa took on the distinct honor of caring for Faith until she was called home to join God's hosts of angels in December 2005.

"Tee" as she was known as to all of her family and friends, was a very outgoing, loving and supportive young woman who enjoyed life. Whatever job she took on, she worked very hard at it and always gave 100%. She loved having fun and surrounding herself with people that understood the importance of loving life. Tee loved writing poetry. She had a book of poems to which she dedicated time to write in, and was very good at her craft. One of Tee's favorite things to do was to travel to the beach with her big sister, Marissa and enjoy the boardwalk and the games. She overall also liked to see others happy and enjoying themselves.

Theresa became increasingly ill over the past year. She fought the good fight. In the end God called his child home to rest. She went from labor to reward on July 29th, 2011 at 10:17 a.m. She will be well missed, but never forgotten. She has touched so many lives in her own special way.

Theresa was preceded in death by her father, Eddie James Poole, her god-father, James C. Cavell, her daughter, Faith Destiny Poole and her grandparents, Newell F. Blue, John T. Poole, Netta Johnson-Blue and Lenora Poole.

Theresa leaves behind to cherish her life: her loving mother, Mary Ellen Blue-Poole; her eldest sister, Marissa E. Poole; a special sister, Jackie Hicks (all of Newark); her younger twin brothers, Kevin (Somerset) and Keith (Boundbrook) Poole; her half sister and brother, Jewel Proctor (North Carolina) and Eddie James Proctor (New Jersey). She also leaves behind a host of aunts, uncles, several god-children, cousins and friends who loved her dearly.

# Order of Service

Processional ..... The Family

Prayer of Comfort ..... Reverend Mylea Florence

Solo ..... "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow"  
Ms. Rhenotha O. Whitaker

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament

Words of Encouragement ..... Elder Moses McKenzie

Solo ..... "Never Would've Made It"  
Mr. Alonzo Dingle

Poem Recitation ..... Ms. Marissa E. Poole

Scripture Reading  
New Testament ..... Minister Velma R. Jennings

Obituary Reading ..... Mr. Billy Clark

Acknowledgements ..... Mrs. Paryss M. Dowling

Solo ..... "God Said He Will Make Everything Alright"  
Ms. Rashunda Jennings

Eulogy ..... Pastor Geraldine Ross

Closing Prayer and Remarks

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Interment</b> Fairmount Cemetery • Newark, New Jersey</p>
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Family and friends are invited to the repast held at  
New Saint Matthew Church • 132-34 Orchard St. • Newark, NJ

# *When I Must Leave You*

*Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in. Don't say I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win. Please don't say how good I was, but I did my best. Just say that I tried to do what's right - to give the most I could, not do less.*

*Please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do. I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due. Please don't give flowers, or talk in hushed tones. Don't be concerned about me now, I'm well with God; I've made my home.*

*Don't talk about what could have been, it's over and it's done. Just see to all my family's needs, the battle has been won. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a Saint. I've done some good, I've done some wrong, so use all your paint - not just the bright and light tones, use some gray and dark. In fact, don't put me down on canvass, paint me in your heart.*

*Don't just remember good times, but remember all the bad. For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad. But if you must do something, then I have one last request - forgive for the wrongs I've done, and with the love that's left, thank God for my soul's resting, thank God for I've been blessed. Thank God for all who loved me, praise God who loved me best.*

*-Unknown author*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late Theresa A. Poole would like to take this opportunity to extend their sincerest appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy shown to them during this period of bereavement. Mary and Marissa would like to extend a special thanks to all who assisted behind the scenes and dedicated their time to ensure Theresa's service was a send-off to remember.*

*"Please continue to pray our strength in Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior, through this trying time in our lives" ~Mary and Marissa*

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