

In Loving Memory of



*Ella
(Buggs)
Thornton*

May 30, 1923 - August 8, 2011

Reflections of Life

Ella (Buggs) Thornton was born May 30, 1923 in Saluda, South Carolina. She was the second oldest of three children born to the late Henry and Addie Buggs.

Ella came to Garfield, New Jersey in her early adult years and spent most of her life here until departing. She was a homemaker dedicated to raising her two children. She was a devoted mother who instilled in her children family love and self-pride.



For those who knew her, she relished and enjoyed gardening and keeping her yard well manicured. It truly was her hobby and recreation.

“A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.”

Ella was predeceased by her husband, Garland “Sonny” Thornton, Sr., son, Garland “Babe” Thornton, Jr. and sister, Marie Ophelia Hurley.

Ella Thornton departed into eternal rest on Monday, August 8, 2011 at Hackensack Medical Center, Hackensack, New Jersey.

Ella leaves to mourn her memory: one daughter, Renee Buchanan; two grandchildren, Yolonda Renee Buchanan of Orangeburg, SC and Corey Maurice Buchanan; brother, Richard Buggs of Saluda, SC; one niece, Lisa Simmons of Saluda, SC; four nephews, Edward Bruce Hurley, Cyril Hurley (Florence) and Richard “Boo” Buggs, Jr. of Saluda, SC and Alwin Ferguson, Jr. of Aynor, SC.

Order of Service

Service

Monday, August 15, 2011 - 9:00 a.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

154 Gaston Avenue
Garfield, New Jersey

Rev. Arthur Bryant, Officiating

Prelude Sis. Venita Allen

Hymn of Praise "I'll Fly Away"

Invocation

Selection Choir - "Going Up Yonder"

Scripture Readings Minister Jestine Paskel
Old Testament - Psalm 23
New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Prayer of Comfort Minister Jestine Paskel

Selection Choir - "We'll Understand It Better By and By"

Cards and Acknowledgements Minister Jestine Paskel

Words of Expression

Reflections of Life

Solo Cyril Hurley

Eulogy Pastor Arthur Bryant

Recessional

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interment</u> East Ridgelawn Cemetery Clifton, New Jersey</p>
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*The repast will be immediately following the burial at
Friendship Baptist Church*



Asleep

*I've closed my eyes and
fallen asleep, So there's no
reason for you to weep; This
is a debt we all must pay,
You will see me again*

*someday. I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow,
Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.*

*But life for you must go on,
You must not worry because I'm gone.*

*You stood beside me all the way,
When I was down, you knew what to say ...
You always told me, "get some rest,"
Let me sleep now, I've done my best.*

*So please let me rest in peace,
The tears you're shedding soon will cease.
You'll soon realize this was meant to be,
I thank God because He came for me.*

-Emily Dickinson

Acknowledgement

*The family of **Ella Thornton** acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to us as we mourn our loss, but rejoice in the home going of my beloved mother.
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

The Family

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