



Celebrating the Life
of

Sunrise
October 29, 1920

Sunset
October 1, 2011

Mary Lee (Brailford) Blair

Service

Friday, October 7, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

72 Carroll Street

Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Alexander McDonald, III, Pastor

Reflections of Life

Mary Lee (Brailford) Blair was born October 29, 1920 to the late Fleg and Neola (Wilson) Brailford. She was converted at an early age and joined the St. Mark Baptist Church Bishopville, SC. After moving to Saginaw, Michigan she joined the Tabernacle Baptist Church. In 1959, she married Mr. Daniel Blair who preceded her in death in 1991. In 1993, she moved to Paterson, NJ.

Mary joined New Christian Missionary Baptist Church Paterson, NJ under the leadership of Rev. James E. Salmon, Sr. She remained a faithful and respected member until her illness.

Mary was a seamstress by trade which was her passion.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Clarence Brailford and Willie (Bill) Brailford, her brother-in-law, Deacon Henry Young.

One the afternoon of Saturday, October 1, 2011, death's angel came gently and quietly to the bedside of Sis. Mary Blair at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, Paterson, NJ and took her home. Her soul winged it's flight to eternal rest.

Mary leaves to cherish wonderful memories: a devoted sister/caregiver, Carrie Young of Paterson, NJ; adopted daughter, Neola McNeill (Charles); adopted son, Eric Young (Sherry); devoted great nephews, Eshawn Young of Fayeettville, NC, Jamar and Jamel McNeill of Paterson, NJ; devoted great great nephew, Jaiden McNeill of Paterson, NJ; eight nieces and three nephews; devoted caregiver, Ms. Erma Eller; two sisters-in-law, Sarah Brailford and Mellie Harkins; and a host of other family members, friends and neighbors.

Order of Service

Reverend Doctor Alexander McDonald, III, Host Pastor

Musician Deacon Lillian McKenzie

Scriptural Recital Pastor James E. Salmon, Sr.

Musical Expression The Young Sisters (Nieces)

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-7

Prayer of Comfort Rev. James G. Bethea

Solo Deacon Lillian McKenzie

Remarks Church Officials

Deacon Clifford Robinson

Trustee John Eason

Acknowledgements

and Resolution Deaconess Pauline Robinson

Reflections of Life Deaconess Neola McNeill

Musical Expression Eric Young

Message Pastor James E. Salmon, Sr.

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Closing Selection/Recessional "I'll Fly Away"

Entombment

Laurel Grove Memorial Cemetery

Totowa, New Jersey



*The Book of Life is closed for one we loved
so well But living deeds of days gone by of
what the pages tell It broke our hearts to see
you go but you didn't go alone For part of us
went with you the day that you went home.*
The Family



Acknowledgement

The family would like to express their sincere thanks for the many prayers, acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended to them during this time. May God continue to bless and keep each of you. A special thanks to Rev. Dr. Alexander McDonald, III and the Faith First Ministries/2nd Baptist Church.

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