

Sister Jessie Mae Williams

Wednesday, December 7, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

Philemon Missionary Baptist Church

246 Shepard Avenue Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Edward A. Allen, Pastor Officiating



<u>Reflections of Life</u>



lived in Waycross, but later moved to Brunswick, Georgia where she started a family of her own. This is where Jessie met her husband, Cornelius Cohen, and later her husband, Johnnie Williams. She resided in Brunswick up until her early thirties.

When Jessie moved to Newark, New Jersey she worked for the Bury Biscuit Cookie Company. More than a decade later, Jessie left to work for the Ball & Foster (formerly known as Metro Glass) Manufacturing Company. She was a dedicated employee and retired after twenty-six years of service.

Jessie joined New Point Baptist Church of Newark, under the leadership of Pastor S.L. Foot. While serving, she sang with the choir faithfully for many years. Recently, Jessie joined the Philemon Missionary Baptist Church of Newark, where she served until she was called Home.

Jessie was a warm, friendly presence in her community. Always willing to help anyone who was in need, Jessie became known throughout her neighborhood as "Miss Jessie" or simply "Ma". Young and old would come by, and there was no one who she wasn't glad to see. Neighbors would visit with Jessie on her porch regularly, and were comforted by her presence and generosity. In turn, neighbors were always willing to help "Miss Jessie" whenever and however they could... and this she always appreciated.

In an effort to support her community beyond the reaches of her front porch, Jessie became a member of Newark's 34th Renaissance Block Association.

A Time To Mourn

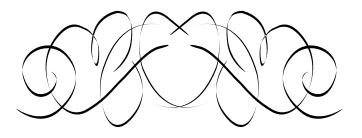
Jessie mourned the lives of her grandmother, mother, father, son, daughter-in-law and her granddaughter.

A Time To Die

At the generous age of seventy-five, Jessie departed this life. She entered into rest on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at Beth Israel Hospital in Newark, New Jersey.

A Time Of Peace

The legacy of her seasons has left a devoted family: sons, Mr. Julius C. Smith of Brunswick, Georgia and Mr. Michael A. Cohen of Jackson, Georgia; daughters, Mrs. Retha D. (Ware) Cohen-White of Willingboro, New Jersey, Ms. Vanessa D. Herrington of Brunswick, Georgia, Mrs. Pamela L. (Mack) Grovner of Brunswick, Georgia and Ms. Shazaliza E. Williams of Newark, New Jersey; sixteen grandchildren; and over thirty greatgrandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and very dear friends as well.



<u>Order of Service</u>

Musical Prelude

Processional

Congressional Hymn "Hold Onto God's Hand"

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Solo

Resolutions and Acknowledgements

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Obituary Ms. Lisa Saunders

Selection

Words of Comfort Rev. Edward A. Allen

Recessional

Interment

Greenwood Cemetery Brunswick, Georgia

Suddenly

Sorry I had to Leave You So Suddenly Sorry I had to leave in a sudden kind of way; didn't have time to call and say good-bye today. I knew you would understand, because that's the way you are; don't worry about the distance because I'm not really that far. Don't wait up and please don't cry you didn't hear me say good-bye.

-Author Unknown

Acknowledgments

The family of Mrs. Jessie Mae Williams acknowledges, with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended during this bereavement hour. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness, concern and Pravers.

~The Family

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