

*In Loving Memory of*



*Geneva (Albert) Hancock*

Sunrise  
March 4, 1935

Sunset  
December 9, 2011

Service

Friday, December 16, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

**CHRIST TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

38 Hopper Street

Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Gregory Turner, Officiating*

*Mark Exum, Organist*

## *Reflections of Life*

**Geneva (Albert) Hancock** was born March 4, 1935 in St. Matthews, South Carolina and she passed through this life at home on December 9, 2011 in Paterson, New Jersey after a lengthy illness. She was the seventh child born to the late Albertha and Jessie Albert. She was the sister of thirteen other sisters and brothers.

Geneva began her elementary education in St. Matthews and she attended John Ford High School and Wedleigh High School in New York. Geneva proudly completed her high school education from Kennedy High School in 1997.

At an early age, Geneva accepted Christ into her life and she joined and was baptized at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church St. Matthews, South Carolina under the auspices of the late Rev. Harris. She also joined the Bethany Baptist Church in New York under the leadership of the late Rev. Elmer Brooks, Sr. After she and her family moved to Paterson Geneva joined The Pentecostal Prayer Center under the uncle the late Rev. Wilbur Boneaparte. In later years, she joined the Christ Temple Baptist Church in Paterson and she served on the Women Fellowship Committee.

Geneva was quite young when she met and fell in love with Thomas (Jake) Hancock, they were joined in marriage by Rev. Elmer Brooks, Jr. From this holy union five children were born Thomas, Jr., Leslie, Dorothy (Dee Dee), Timothy and Larry. Geneva and Jake were married for fifty-seven years and has only been separated by the will of God.

Geneva was a very loving, kind person who always had a beautiful smile to share with all those who were in her presence. She loved the Lord, she loved her husband, she loved her children, she loved her grandchildren, her family and her many friends.

Her grandchildren Dashon and De Gena held a very special place in her heart. They brought new life into her and Jakes' life as she lived just to take care of them and she did the best that she could. Because she helped raise Demitus and J.T., they too were very close to her and she to them.

Geneva's presence would bring light into a room when she entered. She would help anyone that she could without ever telling anyone of what she did. Geneva knew truly knew how to love unconditionally both family and friends. She loved to cook for her family and friends and boy could she cook. You could honestly say that Geneva loved life and loved the life she lived.

She attended North Side Senior Center when she was able and she often volunteered her services. Geneva was an Eastern Star and apart of Daughters of Jeremiah #236. She also was involved with School #4 P.T.A., grandparents support group and other community outreach programs.

Geneva was predeceased by her daughter, Dorothy (Dee Dee) Boyd, three brothers, Jessie, Benjamin (Bain), and Curtiss and three sisters, Jesteen, Daisy and Quelene.

Geneva leaves to cherish her memory: her husband, Thomas (Jake) Hancock, Sr. of Paterson, NJ; four sons, Thomas, Jr., Leslie, Timothy and Larry of Paterson; a daughter, Thomasine Fox of Stanton, NC; one brother, Elder Charles Albert of Paterson, NJ; one sister, Gracie Moore of St. Matthews, SC; ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren; one aunt, Goldie Bonaparte of Paterson, NJ; one sister-in-law and special friend, Rev. Daisy Albert of Greensboro, NC; a God daughter, Vanessa Martin of Greensboro, NC; and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Hymn

Word of God Declared  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements  
and Reflections

Reflections of Life

Selection

Word of Life Proclaimed ..... Rev. Gregory Turner

Recessional



**Interment**

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

## *A Mama's Love*

*It took a Mama's love to make a house a home,  
A place to remember no matter where we roam.  
It took Geneva's patience and love to bring her  
children up right, Her courage and her  
cheerfulness to make a dark day bright. It took our  
mother's wisdom to recognize our needs, And to  
give us reassurance by her loving words and deeds.  
And that is why in all this world there could never  
be another, Who could fulfill God's purpose and  
plan for a loving mother. Then our mama Geneva.  
Thank You for your love.*

*Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family*

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Geneva Hancock** acknowledges with deep appreciation all of your many expressions of kindness and love given to us at this time. Thank you and may God bless you for your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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