

A portrait of an elderly woman with short, curly brown hair and glasses, wearing a black top and a pearl necklace. She is set against a background of a blue sky with white clouds. Two white doves are flying in the sky, one on the left and one on the right.

In Loving Memory
of

Beatrice O'Neal

Sunrise
June 5, 1926

Sunset
December 22, 2011

Thursday, December 29, 2011 -12:00 Noon

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

275 West Market Street • Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, Jr. - Officiating

Reflections of Life

Beatrice O'Neal (Slaten-McDonald), eighty-five, was born June 5, 1926 in Newark, New Jersey to William Slaten and Nannie B. Slaten-Armstrong.

"Grandma Bea" was granted her angel wings on December 22, 2011. Her final days were spent surrounded by her family.

Raised in Baxter Terrace, she attended Central Avenue School, Robert Treat Jr. High, and Barringer High School.

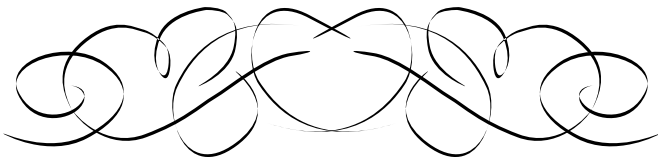
She was an active member of Bethany Baptist Church for eighty-five years. She belonged to the Ladies Aide Society, Unity Club, and various other organizations.

Aunt Beatty was the Aunt that kept the family together. You could call her for any family member's phone numbers and she had it. "Beatty" who loved to talk was very outspoken, outgoing and the life of the party. She always reminded her family that in her time of death to play "How Sweet It Is" by Marvin Gaye.

She leaves to mourn: her daughter, Adrienne (Aaliyah) McDonald-Muhammad; son-in-law, Salahuddin Muhammad; extended daughter, Celita Sharif; brother, Harvey L. Slaten; goddaughter, Saundra Spence; grandchildren, Joyce Anderson, Aisha DeVaughn, Michelle Mitchell, Raheem DeVaughn, Michael Mitchell, Celeste Mitchell, Tiffany Mitchell, Mecca McDonald and Abu-bakr Sharif; great-grandchildren, Yasmien Anderson, Quanda Wilder, Nylah Mitchell and Ma-Kya Ruff; and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her three children, Gregory McDonald, Cynthia Mitchell and Camille DeVaughn, as well as her grandson, Murad A. McDonald.

She will forever be missed.



Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional (all stand except family)

Congregational Hymn “Lift Him Up” (page 420)

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Reading

Old Testament *Isaiah 43:1-3*

New Testament *John 5:24-29*

Poem *Carolyn Spence*

Resolution/Acknowledgements

Reflections..... *Leonard Brown*

Shahidah Onque

Adrienne Aaliyah McDonald- Muhammad

Obituary.....*Read Silently*

Solo.....*Deacon Kevin Maynor*

Eulogy.....*The Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, Jr.*

Closing Prayer

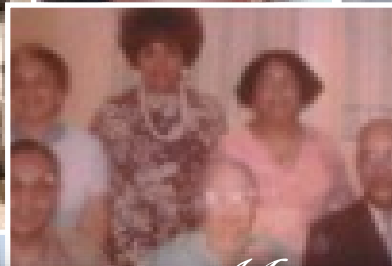
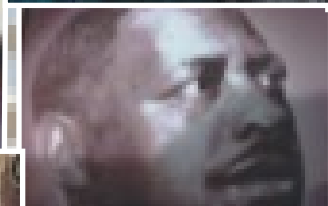
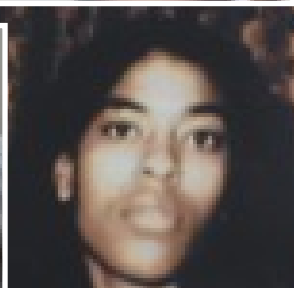
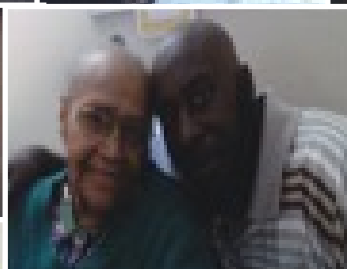
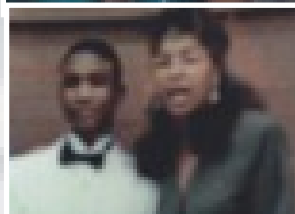
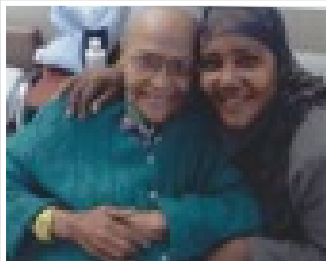
Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

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