

*Home Going Service  
Celebrating the Life of*

*Sunrise*

December 27, 1923

*Sunset*

March 7, 2012

*Deaconess*

*Dorothy Magdalene Douglas*

Service

Monday, March 12, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

**First Baptist Church**

100 High Street

Cranford, New Jersey

**Rev. Alfred E. Brown, Jr., Pastor**

## *Life Reflections*

**Deaconess Dorothy Magdalene Douglas**, was born on December 27, 1923 to the Late Maggie Holmes Brown and Benjamin Brown in Cranford, New Jersey. She was the tenth child of thirteen children. A lifelong resident of Cranford, she attended and graduated from the Cranford Public School system.

She was employed at New Jersey Bell Telephone Company in Cranford as a Senior Clerk, retiring after twenty-one years of service.

Dorothy and Russell, Sr. were married for thirty years before his sudden passing in 1975. She and "Plunk" were the proud parents of a son, Russell, Jr. and a daughter, Nancy.

As a member of First Baptist Church in Cranford from infancy, Dorothy was a Deaconess, Sunday School Teacher and member of the Missionary Society and Usher Board. She enjoyed being a Deaconess up to the time of her passing.

Dorothy, was the mother-in-law of Rev. Celes Douglas and Daniel Jackson, a proud grandmother of five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and five god-children and a very wonderful aunt to numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends who shared in her life. Deaconess Douglas was blessed not only to have loving people in her life to care for her during her illness, but one special caregiver, her niece, Elizabeth "Betty Ann" Fish who unselfishly gave in the care of her Aunt Dot.

Deaconess Dorothy Douglas passed away on Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at Ashbrook Rehabilitation Center in Scotch Plains.

Mommy, Aunt Dot, and Friend, has left us her love and the instruction to live a good life and to include the Lord in all we do – to serve Him with our hearts and souls. She left us fond memories of her love and sacrifices.

‘Rest in His Arms Mommy, Aunt Dot, and Grandma, we loved you but God called you and he loves you best.’

Lovingly submitted,  
The Family

# Order Of Service

*Alfred E. Brown, Jr, Officiating  
Lauri Brown Butler, Organist*

Processional

Opening Hymn ..... #148 "How Great Thou Art"

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn ..... #474 "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Words of Comfort

Solo ..... "Blessed Assurance"  
Deaconess Lillie Brown

Acknowledgements

Hymn ..... #4 "Oh I Want To See Him"

Tributes ..... Paula Lynn Reddick  
Russell "Scooter" Douglas II (Oldest grandchild)  
Mrs. Maxine Brown

Memorial Presentations ..... Nieces and Nephews

Musical Selections

Scriptures ..... Bishop Leroy Holmes

Obituary (read silently)

Selections ..... Lauri Brown Butler

Eulogy

Hymn ..... #594 "Sing The Wondrous Love Of Jesus"

Recessional

## Interment

Graceland Memorial Park  
Kenilworth, New Jersey

Family and friends are invited to the repast immediately after the Interment:  
Senior Social Center, 40 Meeker Avenue, Cranford

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## Pall Bearers

Nephews and great-nephews of  
**Deaconess Dorothy Magdalene Douglas**

### *I Did Not Die*

*Do not stand at my grave and weep:  
I am not there, I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow:  
I am the diamond glints on snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain:  
I am the gentle autumn's rain.  
When you awaken in the  
Morning's hush,  
I am the swift uplifting rush  
Of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft star that shines at night.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry.  
I am not there: I did not die.*

*-Melinda Sue Pacho*

### *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Deaconess Dorothy Magdalene Douglas** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.