

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

A portrait of Helen Lucille Ferguson, a woman with short dark hair, wearing glasses and a light-colored jacket. She is smiling slightly. The background is a soft blue gradient with a large, out-of-focus yellow flower in the foreground. A faded, larger version of her portrait is visible in the upper left background.

*Helen Lucille Ferguson*

**Sunrise**  
May 8, 1930

**Sunset**  
May 18, 2012

*Tuesday, May 22, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.*

**CLEARVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**

314 Hobson Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Rev. Eric M. Beckham, Officiating*

## *Obituary*

On May 18, 2012, the Lord sent an angel to bring Helen home to glory. **Helen Lucille Ferguson** (known affectionately as Seal) was born May 8, 1930 to the late James and Louise Henderson. Helen was born in Jersey City, NJ and raised in Harrison, NJ.

She graduated from Harrison High School and was elected "Most Sociable" in her senior class. She then attended Scott's Beauty School and became a Licensed Beautician.

Helen worked for nearly forty years at Display Box Company and took pride in her work. She always said she wanted her work to be the best, even if no one knew she had done it.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband the late Robert Ferguson, Sr.

Helen leaves to cherish her memories: her children, Sharon Carroll, Sheila Williams (Teak) and Robert Ferguson, Jr. (Talesa); her siblings, Sally Brown, Cora Henderson, Charles Henderson (Davida), Elaine Ware, Venus Henderson, Barbara Harris (preceded her in death) and Frances Eutses (preceded her in death); seven grandchildren, Dawn Carroll, Keeba Jones (Oscar Jones, Jr.), Dynette Ferguson, Yasmee Williams, Tauheed Ferguson (Tyca), Radee Ferguson (Karla) and Lyndsey Williams; eleven great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Processional ..... Clergy/Family

Hymn of Comfort ..... *"I Won't Complain"*

Scripture Reading ..... Evangelist Denise Richards  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer ..... Evangelist Denise Richards

Selection ..... *"I Shall Not Be Moved"*

Words of Comfort ..... Evangelist Denise Richards

Reflections/Remarks ..... Keena Williams  
Yasmin Williams  
Zaniya Battle  
Dawn Carroll

Card/Obituary ..... Patricia Ewell

Resolution

Eulogy ..... Rev. Eric M. Beckham

Recessional

## **Interment**

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey

# *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call*

*I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.*

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,*

*Then fill it up with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,*

*Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,*

*I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,*

*Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,*

*God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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