

Sunrise August 18, 1932

> Sunset September 11, 2012

Wednesday, September 19, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH 106 Sussex Avenue • Newark, New Jersey *Rev. Joe A. Carter, Pastor*

Obituary

Frankie Mae Sanders was born on August 18, 1932 in Blakely, Georgia to the late Simon Williams and Louise Major. Frankie was the eldest of two children. The family traveled north and made Newark, New Jersey their home. While living in Newark, Frankie attended the Newark Public Schools. As a student at West Side High School, she was a proud Rough Rider Cheerleader.

In 1954, Frankie married Myles Andrei Pressey of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She was a proud mother of seven sons: Gregory, a set of twins Myles and Michael, Kevin, Keith, Terrance and Marvin. Since Frankie was known for opening her home to others, raising Antonio Smith as if he was one of her own sons came to no surprise by many.

Myles, Sr. passed away in the late 1960's. Frankie was determined to care for her family and set an example for her sons. As a result, Frankie returned to school and successfully obtained her Diploma. Thereafter, Frankie continued her education earning her Certificate as a Hemo-Dialysis Technician while simultaneously caring for her seven sons.

With Frankie's training and experience, she secured full-time employment as a Hemo-Dialysis Technician, and later began working at East Orange General Hospital in East Orange, New Jersey. Frankie was known for her special way of dealing with the most difficult patients and effectively calming and diffusing any situation with her charm and laughter. Frankie's love spread throughout the unit and she was affectionately nicknamed "Mama Frankie." Lifetime friendships developed as a result of the way in which she treated everyone.

During the 1980's Frankie met and fell in love with George Sanders. Frankie and George were married in 1983. Their families blended together and she remained close to his children throughout her lifetime.

After eighteen years of service at East Orange General Hospital, Frankie retired in 1994. Frankie relocated to Tobyhana, Pennsylvania with her Mother Louise. Frankie continued to be the nurturing and caring mother, daughter, sister and friend, opening her home to everyone. Frankie hosted all of the family parties and celebrations at her home in Pennsylvania, which featured famous signature meals. Because of the same love and affection that she displayed in New Jersey, Frankie became well known in her community in Tobyhana. She joined a social group called the "Pocono Golden Gals" Red Hatters where Frankie enjoyed their fellowship, encouraging the group to volunteer and do community service.

Throughout Frankie's life, she had a strong connection with her church. When she resided in New Jersey, she was a member of New Hope Baptist Church of Newark, New Jersey. Upon relocating to Tobyhana, she became a proud member of Pocono Community Church.

In January 2011, Frankie suffered a stroke and as a result was under the care of Manor Care Nursing Home in Easton, Pennsylvania. On September 11, 2012, Frankie passed away after several days of being surrounded by her loving family and friends.

Frankie was predeceased by her parents, Simon and Louise; her son Kevin, her son Gregory and his wife Valeria. Frankie leaves to cherish many memories: her brother Curtis Williams; her loving sons Marvin, Michael, Myles (Linda), Keith (Natalie), Terrence and Antonio, ten Grandchildren: Alnisa, Kyle, Jynan (Sam), Romanita, Jauhara, Aaron (Candice), Briana, Morgan, Myles IV, and Jourdan, eight great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews; and a host of relatives; friends and Frankie's special daughters: Kathy, Angela, Anna and Yolanda. We will all miss Frankie dearly but her memory lives in all of us.

~ Respectfully Submitted, The Family ~

Order of Service

Processional

Hymn of Comfort Tina L. Spears

Scriptures

Old Testament Proverbs 31: 30-31 New Testament John 14: 1-4

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Micheal Rodriguez

Remarks

Acknowledgments & Condolences

Obituary (Read Silently)

Selection Karen Forbes

Eulogy

Recessional

<u>Interment</u>

Fairmount Cemetery Newark, New Jersey

Following the interment, family and friends are

invited to return to the church for the repast.

John 14: 1-4



Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them in their time of sorrow. Special thanks to Yolonda R. Williams.

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