

*Celebrating the Life  
Of*



*Mary Williams Garrett*

Sunrise  
August 24, 1918

Sunset  
October 23, 2012

Services

Saturday, October 27, 2012 - 10:00 am.

**WOODY "HOME FOR SERVICES"**

163 Oakwood Avenue  
Orange, New Jersey 07050  
Father Joseph Harmon, Officiating  
Emory Lee, Organist

## *Obituary*

**Mary Williams Garrett**, young and vibrant at the age of 94 went home to be with the Lord on October 23, 2012 at St. Barnabas Hospital, Livingston, NJ. She was born and raised in Orange, NJ she was predeceased by her parents, Simon Williams, Macon, GA and Ruby Hill Allen, Scotland, NC.

She received her education in Orange, NJ and attended college in New York City.

The majority of her life was spent in East Orange, NJ. Her family was affiliated with the Epiphany Church in Orange, NJ. Her grandmother, Ella Hill was the founder of the Orange YWCA and was the first black County Committee woman in Orange, NJ undefeated until her death.

Mary was very well known for the designer shoes she sold for many years and developed many friendships. She was a long standing active member of The Friends of The Newark Community School of the Arts in Newark, NJ and their fund raising "Look Who's Cooking". Mary traveled throughout Europe, South America, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean and recently cruised to the Eastern Caribbean. She loved Atlantic City and always stayed in the Centorium at Ceasar's.

She leaves to cherish her memory her longtime loving, loyal and devoted friend and caregiver, Manuella "Manny" Schroeder of NJ whom she called her daughter, her longtime friend, Vivian Loyd of CT who she affectionately called "Ms. Goldberg" and Triny Qurije her domestic engineer. Her cousins, Lena Preston of NV, Carl "Dickie" Preston (Miriam) of FL and Dr. Edmond Preston (Annette) of NV, as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

## *Psalm 23*

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want.*

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*



### **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery  
Newark 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*

The family of **Mary Williams Garrett** will remember and cherish the kindness of your many expressions of love, sympathy, prayers, messages and courtesies so graciously extended.

Thank you and may God richly bless you.

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