



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Elsie Biscombe*

Sunrise  
July 4, 1939

Sunset  
October 6, 2012

*Service*

Monday, October 29, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

**CHAPELS OF EDEN FUNERAL HOME**

110 So. Munn Avenue  
East Orange, New Jersey 07018

*Rev. Dr. Mark Carter Pierce, Officiating  
Gerald Walker, Organist*

# Obituary

**Name: Elsie Mae Biscombe**

**Life:** Born July 4, 1939 in Petersburg, VA, to Louis and Walter Jones. The third oldest of sixteen children, she attended the Peabody Elementary and High School. Married Julius F. Biscombe in 1977-1989  
Married Frank Simelton in 2006-present

Elsie was a wife, mother, sister, aunt, cousin and often times a friend. She may not have worn most of those hats as stylish as some would like, but she would defend her choices. If you ask twenty people that knew her what she was like, there would be twenty different answers; some good, others left to the person's imagination. She was a complex personality but she did things her way. Like it or not, I do believe she lived life just the way she wanted. It pains me deeply that she might have preferred to write a different ending, but the path she chose was hers alone.

She was strong and candid; didn't pull punches or bite her tongue; didn't hold back when she had a head of steam and didn't pump the brakes if she had a clear path. She had class though a journey of peaks and valleys; dignity in the worst weather and soul when she let go and enjoyed who she was. She was marvelous and she was a spark plug. Her birthday was the fourth of July and she enjoyed being the center of attention; she enjoyed the fun times. I know she is probably thinking of the swinging parties she had during her lifetime. They were plentiful.

Mother, wife, friend, sister, aunt, cousin, grandmother, great-grandmother and matriarch, forever present in our hearts, you shall always be. You were loved more than you can ever know and just because you are gone; our love for you continues to grow. You are thought of in a much greater regard than those more famous than you and missed dearly because we will never forget your polarizing light. We all have our crosses to bear; therefore, we thank you for always being there and appreciate you for your care. Forgiveness reigns forever and we know God had embraced you in his forever loving and safe arms. God Bless you mother dear.

**Family:** Survived by: spouse, Frank Simelton; children, Robert, George, Evelyn, Brenda, Paula, Ray, Rick, Wendy and Monique; grandchildren, Thomasina, Lee, Julius, Ben, Ariel, Denise, Cheryl, Yarnette, Lorna, Wesley, Jr., Evan, Elijah, Brittany, Robert, Jr., Amanda, Aaron, Avery, Diamond, Carlina, Carlita, Deanna and Shawn; great-grandchildren, Terell, Alona Teresa, Jaelin, Cornelius, Cassius Christian, Linda Lee, Isaiah, Daziyah, Jayla, Janelle, Moses, Egypt, Moani and Arilyn.

**Predeceased by:** Julius 3/89, Herbert 1954-2005, Jody 1958-1958, William 1960-1960, Michelle 1962-2002, Yvette 1970-2009.

# *Order of Service*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Musical Selection*

*Scripture*

*Obituary Reading*

*Acknowledgements & Remarks*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

***Rev. Dr. Mark Carter Pierce***

*Benediction*

*Recessional*

## **INTERMENT**

Forest Green Party Cemetery  
Morganville, New Jersey



## *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.*

### *Acknowledgements*

The family wishes to express their deepest and most sincere thanks to all who shared with them in this time of sorrow.

May God bless and keep you in a most gracious way.

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