

Home Going Celebration



Ellnap Nottie Hill

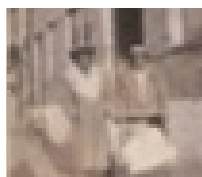
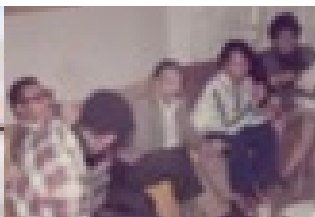
Sunrise

January 16, 1926

Sunset

October 23, 2012

Precious Memories



Reflections of Life

Ellnap Nottie Polk was born on January 16, 1926 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina to the late Nottie and Andrew Polk. (She had three brothers, Osborne, Enop and Moses Polk and one sister, Grace Wilson who have all gone home to Glory.) (Ferrington)

Ellnap came to the city of Passaic, New Jersey at the early age of three. She along with her siblings, Moses and Grace were raised by their aunt, Eunice Polk when their parents died. Ellnap attended the Passaic School system and graduated from Passaic Senior High School in June 1945. Ellnap joined Saint Paul's Baptist Church, Passaic at the age of ten, where she was a member for seventy-six years and served on the Usher Board. She also enjoyed Sunday morning services at New Faith Baptist Church with her daughter (JoAnn) and grandson (Kevin).

On January 27, 1946, she was united in marriage to James "Pappy" Hill who preceded her in death. To this union, six children were born, James "Jimmy" (Donna) Hill of Tampa, Florida, Belinda (Jesse) Alexander of La Fayette, Georgia, Clayton "Baha Muhammad" (Nicole) of West Palm Beach, Florida, Robert "Hassan Shaheed" of Garfield, New Jersey, the late Kevin Hill of the Bronx, New York and JoAnn Hill of Paterson, New Jersey. Ellnap was blessed to have her devoted friend, Grace Gray, visit her frequently and will be missed by a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Ellnap was involved in all aspects of her children's school activities. She participated with their classes on many field trips, served as President of the PTA for many years, and was also a Den Mother with the Cub Scouts. She volunteered and taught many residents of Passaic how to read and write at #8 School. She was employed by Popular Club Plan in Passaic and Garfield, and retired from it's division in Edison, New Jersey.

Ellnap stressed education to all of her children, for education remains a key to life-long opportunities. She encouraged education to her grandchildren and attended every high school and college graduation. Respect for teachers and for one another was another principle she instilled in her children, she would say, "she brought up her children to get along with others and to respect everyone."

Her home was always open, as she welcomed her children's friends. Her children would invite their friends home for dinner where they always experienced good food and a good time.

Ellnap's aunt, Eunice used to say, "When you go to a house where there are children, you'll find something to eat; if you go to the home of two people you'll starve!" During the 1960's, four of Ellnap's children were in their home while their Mom would make fried chicken, macaroni salad, potato salad, navy bean soup, meatloaf, baked whiting, and her famous cakes (carrot cake & cream cheese cake). The teenagers would listen to music, dance and have a fantastic time.

Ellnap has been a special grandmother to her grandchildren, Randi Khadijah, Jesse (Adrienne), Rashad, Rev. James, Jennifer, Christopher, Omar and Kevin. She has two great grandsons, Terrance and Ahmari and one great-great grandson, Terrance. She loved to babysit for them and spoil all of them with her love. She was inspired when her grandson, James received the calling to preach the word and witnessed his ordination. She was able to see him preach at different churches and loved to hear him sing.

Ellnap has lived with her daughter, JoAnn and grandson, Kevin for over twenty-two years. Kevin has truly been his grandmother's inspiration. They regarded themselves as the dynamic trio. She volunteered at St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson in the gift shop for the last thirteen years.

At any given time, when visiting Ellnap, loved ones would witness her watching her favorite shows; Little House on The Prairie, Gunsmoke, Bonanza, Matlock, Shirley Temple, Bette Davis and old Tarzan movies while indulging in her favorite snacks: Mallomars, Pepperidge Farm Milano cookies with a cup of Dunkin Donuts coffee. She also loved to read from an early age and continued by reading the newspaper.

For our family, it's as if A Mighty Oak has fallen, but we know where it landed - where the flowers bloom forever, where weariness does not come, where winter's chill never troubles, where the song never stills and the day never dies. Indeed, we are sad, but are thankful that our mother and our children's Grandmother was faithful, thus received the crown of life. We agree with 2 Corinthians 5:6-8, "to be always of good courage. For we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight."

Special Tribute - To Mom & Grandma

You're a special gift of kindness reaching to the heart. You're the reigning master of a warm and loving art. You're the extra bonus to which family owes its meaning. You are the icing on the cake, the heartfelt volunteer, Ambassador of loving, assistant respect that you can earn. Every life you touch accepts with love your fond attention.

Magic such as yours, gives life a rare and new dimension.

Order of Service

Service

Thursday, November 1, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH

22-24 Aspen Place • Passaic, NJ 07055

Prelude Music

Processional The Clergy & Family

Hymn "Blessed Assurance"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23 Reverend Doris Carter

New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 Reverend Kevin
Clark

Prayer of Consolation Calvary Baptist Church, Morristown, NJ

Hymn "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

Acknowledgements

Reflections of Life

Expressions Julia Leigh
Charles Barber
Hassan Shaheed

Solo Neita Ellen-Young

Eulogy Rev. James H. Alexander
Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church • Greenville, NC

Recessional "I'll Fly Away"

Interment

Lodi Cemetery
Lodi, New Jersey

*Family and friends are invited to return to
St. Paul's Baptist Church for Fellowship*

Pall Bearers

- John Alston
- Calvin Merritt
- Malik Pyron
- Bruce Rutherford
- Robert Rutherford
- Brian Wade
- Robert White

No Need To Worry, No Need To Cry

No Need to worry, no need to cry, nor question God and wonder why. My heart's at peace you're wondering how, because my soul is with Jesus and I'm resting now. The services I gave for my family and friends were services of love, even to the end. Loved ones now look to Jesus for He knows best. He carried me home for I needed the rest. Family, don't you cry and don't be afraid for me, already a way has been made. Keep trusting in Jesus and doing His will, through Jesus my presence you will always feel. Yes, my heart's at peace and my soul's at rest and you wonder how; it's because I'm with Jesus and I'm resting now. I'm in a better place as long as I'm with Jesus. Just like a white dove I've flown away. I'm resting now.

Our Thanks To You

We wish to acknowledge, with gratitude and appreciation, the many comforting expressions extended by our many friends and family. Your messages of sympathy and all acts of kindness expressed through prayer, visitations and other kind deeds gave us strength at a time most needed.

May God continue to bless and keep you all.

~ The Family

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