

A portrait of an elderly African American woman with short, dark, curly hair. She is wearing a dark blue or black top and has her right hand resting near her chin. The background is a bright blue sky with white, fluffy clouds. The overall tone is peaceful and commemorative.

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Mattie Lee Stoudemire*

**Sunrise**

*October 22, 1939*

**Sunset**

*November 20, 2012*

*Thursday, November 29, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.*

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

217-245 Passaic Street • Garfield, New Jersey

*Calvin McKinney, Pastor*

## Obituary



Mattie Lee Stoudemire was born in Health Springs, South Carolina on October 22, 1939 to the Late EdRoy Patterson and the late Rebecca Hicklen-Patterson.

In her formative years she attended Mount Zion Baptist church. She Graduated from Hillside High School in 1957. She then made her transition up north to Englewood, New Jersey in 1958, where she lived for a year and walked to work in a factory everyday. They then moved to Hackensack for 7 years with her beloved sister and brother-in-law until she was able to save enough money to get her own place and settle in. She married Mason Stoudemire on August 3, 1968 and of this union a son Eric Stoudemire. In 1986 they divorced. She then found a new home church in Calvary Baptist in Garfield, NJ, where she continued to be a devoted Christian. She continued to work tenaciously to support her family until she landed a job with Chesterfield Enterprises in Elmwood Park, NJ where she was a diligent employee for 26 years until company went out of business in 1992. She then landed another job in the electronic field at Mikron Instruments in Wykoff, NJ where she work as a sodering technician from 1992 until she retired in 2003.

On November 20, 2012 this predestined angel was called from earth to our Heavenly Father's kingdom while in a tough battle with CHF and COPD. She was a remarkable woman, a beautiful spirit, and an extraordinary mother. Her pastime was inspiring others, being organized, working hard, fishing, making people smile and laugh, and parenthood. She loved hard and sincerely, wasn't a complainer and was graciously vocal about those that did.

She is predeceased by four beloved brothers Herman, Otis, Roy, and Edward Patterson.

She leaves to mourn and cherish her memory: one son, Eric Stoudemire of Hillside, NJ; one granddaughter Dasiyah McCormick of Hillside, NJ as well as an unborn grandchild which she was two months shy of meeting; three sisters: Stella Moore of Charlotte, NC, Roberta Mobley of Lancaster, SC and Barbara Curry of Hackensack, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends whom she loved.

# *Order of Service*

Selection ..... Bro. Lawrence Lyles

The Written Word ..... Psalm 27  
Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

Selection ..... Sis. Ada Tate

Acknowledgements ..... Bro. Eric Stoudemire

Words of Comfort

Selection ..... Sis. Ada Tate

Obituary ..... Pastor McKinney

Eulogy ..... Pastor McKinney

Recessional



## **Final Disposition**

Cedar Lawn Crematory  
Paterson, New Jersey

### **Pall Bearers**

Menshi Curry

Leon Hoyle

Bobby Petty

Eric Stoudemire

Gary Moore

Lashun Hoyle

### ***Afterglow***

*I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave an afterglow  
Of smiles when day is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
Whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
And bright and sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve  
To dry before the sun  
Of happy memories that I leave behind,  
When the day is done.*

*-Helen Lowrie Marshall*

*"Nothing comes to a sleeper but a Dream. You can do anything you put your mind to. Don't wait until tomorrow to do something that you can do today! Keep God First! Give flowers while you're living. Don't wait until they're gone!"*

### ***Acknowledgement***

The family wishes to express sincere thanks, warm gratitude and appreciation for the many kind messages and expressions of sympathy during this period of bereavement. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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