

*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life Of*



Mary Magdalene Jenkins

Sunrise

June 16, 1920

Sunset

March 1, 2013

Friday, March 8, 2013 - 11:00 am

Heard A.M.E. Church

310 East Eighth Avenue

Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Archie Cummins, Jr., Pastor

Life Reflections

Mary Magdalene Jenkins was born June 12, 1920 in Sumter, South Carolina. She was one of fourteen children born to Solomon Herriott and Hattie Prescott.

Mary attended school in Sumter, South Carolina; she later met Othello B. "Dewey" Jenkins who later became her husband. In 1939, Mary and Dewey left Sumter, headed north, and made a home in Roselle, New Jersey. From their union they had seven sons, Othello C., Albertus, Harry, Michael, Kenneth, Randy and Gary.

Mary, affectionately called Ma, Grandma, Aunt Sissy and Aunt Mary by those who loved her, she was a simple woman. She loved taking care of her home, cooking, and giving an occasional cooking class on the phone. Baking her pound cakes and working in her garden were passions that she enjoyed. On a nice day you could find her sitting on her front porch people watching. She was information central for the Jenkins family because she loved talking about her family's history. If you needed information about the family, Mary was the person to call.

After many years of working, Mary retired from Elizabeth Nursing Home in Elizabeth, New Jersey. During her retirement Mary, enjoyed her puzzle books to keep her mind sharp and she loved eating her hard candies. If you called her between the hours of 12.30 pm - 2.00 pm, she would politely ask you to call her back at a later time, so she could enjoy *The Young and the Restless* and *The Bold and Beautiful*, her favorite soap operas. After watching her soaps, she would say, "those are some silly people".

As the matriarch of the family, many family members would talk to Mary about different issues. She would give her opinion or advice, and most conversations would end with her well known phrase, "wrong is wrong and right is right, that's all I have to say, and you know what is right."

Mary was a devoted wife to her husband Dewey, a caring mother to her sons, a loving and patient grandmother and aunt. She was a sincere and trusted friend. All who knew her respected her.

Mary had a great sense of humor. She was funny even when she wasn't trying to be. During her illness, she had the strength to share memories and witty comments that created hearty laughs among those caring for her and those that visited her.

Mary Magdalene Jenkins remained strong until she departed this life on March 1, 2013.

Mary was predeceased in life by her husband, Othello B. Jenkins; her sons, Othello C. Jenkins, Michael Jenkins, Kenneth Jenkins and Randy Jenkins.

She leaves behind to cherish wonderful memories her sons, Albertus Jenkins (Sandra) of Sarasota, Florida; Harry Jenkins of Cumberland, Maryland and Gary Jenkins of Newark, New Jersey, as well as her daughter-in-laws Minh Loi Jenkins, Josie Hearn and Carol Jenkins. Her grandchildren: Glenn Jenkins (Pam), Scott Jenkins (Brandy), Sonji Jenkins, Mark Walker (Eva), Angela Jenkins, Kim Donald, Ria Webb (James), Sarina Tiru (Henry), Damon Jenkins (Sharixza), JaNiece Jenkins, Shane Burns, Simone Burns, Brandon Burns, Randon Jenkins, Rania Jenkins, Faith Burns, Rashon Jenkins and Alia Miller. 22 great-grandchildren and a host of nephews and nieces also survive her.

Mary was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and aunt and will be missed by her family and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,
The Family

Order Of Service

Processional

Organ Prelude

A Parting View

Hymn

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Hymn

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the interment, family and friends are invited to return to Heard A.M.E. Church where a repast will be served.

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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Mary and Othello Together Again

AUNT MARY (SISSY)

We have memories of a woman you know, we called her Sissy.
God saw her getting tired and a cure was not to be.
So he whispered "Mary, come and go with me."

A precious woman is gone- A voice we loved is stilled.
A place is vacant in our hearts- Which never can be filled.

Few have seen me weep- so many tears I've shed.
God give me strength to bear it and courage to let her go.
How much I will miss her no one will ever know.

God looked around His garden and saw Aunt Sissy's face.
He put His arm around her and lifted her to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful for He only takes the best.

Love,
your niece Ruby Robinson

Pall Bearers

Family and Friends of **Mary Jenkins**

Acknowledgement

The family of **Mary Jenkins** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.

