

*Homegoing Celebration for*  
***Myrtle A. Simmons***

*Sunrise*  
October 24, 1924

*Sunset*  
March 25, 2013

*Service*  
Saturday, March 30, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.

**NEW SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

209 Broadway

Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Louis Norris, Officiating*

## *Reflections of Life*

**Myrtle Althea (Morris) Simmons** was born October 24, 1924, in Montclair, New Jersey, to the late George and Olivia Morris. She was raised in Louisa, Virginia and graduated from Louisa High School. At the age of twenty she migrated to Paterson, New Jersey where she married Harry S. Jackson. From this union, six children were born; three boys, George, Harry Jr. Michael, and three girls, Rose, Dale and Robbin. Myrtle was widowed on November 2, 1980.

Myrtle was a devoted mother. Aside from raising six children, she worked as a housekeeper part time during the day and in the evening as a machinist for a number of companies. Myrtle was formerly employed at the Marriott Hotel, of Saddle Brook, New Jersey as the Head of the Housekeeping Department.

Myrtle later married Guy Simmons of Cherry Hill, New Jersey. After traveling across country they took up residency in Las Vegas, Nevada. While living in Las Vegas she received numerous accolades and Achievement Awards for her work in assisting Spanish speaking kids to read and volunteering to assist in a number of charitable organizations.

Upon her husband's death she returned to New Jersey to be with her children. Among her past time activities, she enjoyed playing with her great grandchildren, doing crossword puzzles, reading and watching old western movies.

Myrtle was preceded in death by her husband, Guy Simmons, first husband, Harry S. Jackson, Sr., father, George Morris, mother, Olivia Morris, daughter, Rose M. Robertson, granddaughter, Tiffany Howell, brother, George Morris and sisters, Delores Noble, Bertha Pendleton.

Myrtle Althea (Morris) Simmons, was a wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and dear friend of many, passed away at Alaris Long Term Care Center in Paterson, NJ on March 25, 2013, at the age of eighty-eight years old.

Myrtle leaves to cherish precious memories: her sons, George "Porgy" Jackson, Harry S. "Jappy" Jackson Jr. and Michael Jackson, Sr.; daughters, Dale Sermond and Robbin Bryant; brothers, Donald, Phillip and Dennis Morris; sisters, Shirley Walton, Anna Thompson, Beatrice Mayo, Juanita Morris, and Natasha Morris; son-in-law, Gene Sermond; daughter-in-law, Stephanie Jackson; grandchildren, David Howell III, Todd Howell, Eric Howell, Shernita Carter, Kia Fortney, Michael Jackson Jr., Stanley Jackson, Ebony Sermond, Shaheed Jackson, Maqua Robinson and Terry Robinson; twenty-six great grandchildren; special friend, Mrs. Dorothy Shaw; and a host of other relatives, church family and friends.

# *Order of Service*

**Organ Prelude**

**Processional**

**Musical Selection**

“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

**Scripture Reading**

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: John 14

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Reflections of Life**

**Musical Selection**

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Tanya Randolph

**Words of Comfort**

Reverend Louis L. Norris

**Recessional**

**Interment**

Fairlawn Cemetery

Fairlawn, New Jersey

**Repast**

Immediately following the burial at  
Jacksonville Restaurant 325 Grand St. Paterson, New Jersey.

# *To Say Goodbye*

*To say goodbye is not the end  
To all my family and friends  
For life goes on, you must endure  
For my eternity is sure.  
Remember all the good times  
The memories we've shared  
The precious jewels of laughter  
The tender love and care.  
I found my resting place  
God's peace surrounds my soul  
Let love abound in all your hearts  
Let heaven be your goal.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Myrtle A. Simmons** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!*

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