

In Loving Memory of



Martha Ann Henry

Sunrise

March 16, 1916

Sunset

March 22, 2013

Funeral Service

Tuesday, April 2, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

Jackson Funeral Residence

384 Communipaw Avenue

Jersey City, New Jersey

Reverend Phillip Thomas, Officiating

Obituary

Martha "Ma Dear" Henry of Jersey City, New Jersey, died Friday, March 22nd, 2013, at the Delaire Nursing Facility in Linden, NJ. She was 97 years old.

Martha is survived by her daughter, Erma Loftin, of Roselle, NJ; grandchildren Tyrone Loftin, of San Diego, CA; Carol Lassiter, of Roselle, NJ; Linda "Bonnie" Loftin, of Sacramento, CA; Tamara "Tammy" Loftin, of Roselle, NJ; Anthony "Tony" Loftin, of Gainesville, VA; and pre-deceased by brother, David "Dave" Bailey, sister, Queenie Bailey, brother, Meigs Bailey, and grandson, Alonzo "Lonzo" Loftin.

Martha is survived by her great grandchildren, Kasmin McGhee, Alyshia Loftin, and Cameron Loftin (Tyrone Loftin); Alonzo Loftin Jr., Alia Loftin, and Christopher Loftin Sr. (Alonzo Loftin Sr.); Laneeta (Maurice) Luke, LaMaar Lassiter, and Yvonne Lassiter (Carol Lassiter); Neonta (Kevin) Morrison (Tamara Loftin); and LaVahn Loftin, Maya Loftin, and Chase Loftin (Anthony Loftin); and the multitude of great great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and beloved friends.

Martha Henry was born March 16th, 1916, in Linden, Alabama, to the parents of Isaac Bailey and Rebecca (Rembert) Bailey. In June of 1932, she married Otis Northrop... their union gave birth to her only child, Erma (Northrop) Loftin. In the summer of 1945, Otis and Martha decided to amicably part ways in which she relocated from Linden, Alabama to Jersey City, NJ. There, she was gainfully employed for many years at the Western Electric Company. In 1948, she met Reverend John "Johnny" Henry and the two joined in Holy Matrimony in the spring of 1950. Their union lasted for 20 years until Johnny, too, was called home. Martha's last companion was with the beloved Mr. Jesse Smith.

Martha Henry loved the Lord. She was an avid and loyal member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church for more than 53 years. Her passion and vigor was well received by the members of her church; and her cheerful disposition will continue to be a legacy for days on end.

Martha was very active in the Senior Citizen community. There, she was a colleague, mentor, friend; and participated and organized many communal events including several excursions to various plays, parks, concerts, and dinner banquets. She loved to travel and lived an exuberant life... filled with fun & exciting trips to places like Wildwood, Asbury Park, Atlantic City, the Poconos, Niagra Falls, etc.... she was always on the go!

Martha was our voice of reckoning and reason, a matriarch to family and friends, and demonstrated the love, kindness, care, and humility that is to be expected from a daughter, mother, grandmother, and friend... You will always be in our hearts... We love you "Ma Dear"!

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks & Reflections (2 minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

& Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Reverend Phillip Thomas

Final Viewing

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Bayview Cemetery

Jersey City, New Jersey

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

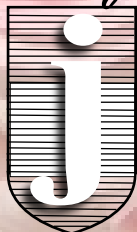
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Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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