

*Celebration of Life for*

*Mary Ann James Adkins*

*June 30, 1942 - September 9, 2013*

**Service**

*Saturday, September 14, 2013 - 2:00 p.m.*

**GRACE CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

22-26 Haledon Avenue

Paterson, New Jersey

***Rev. Gregory Wilson, Pastor***

## *Notice of Change of Address*

*I have moved I no longer reside at 280 McLean Blvd., Paterson. I received a call from God the Chief Architect and He informed me that my new house was complete. You all know that I had been working on my new residence. Well my new home is finished and what a sight to behold. It is located on an exclusive estate. I can dine at the Master's table. I can walk the streets of gold. I will be listening to the Angelic Choir best of all my Heavenly Father is here. I am with Him along with my mother Earnestine my father Roosevelt my son Andrew. Before I go this is my new address.*

***Mary Ann Adkins***  
***1 Pearly Gate Drive***  
***God's Town, Heaven***

## *Reflections of Life*

**Mary Ann James Adkins** was born June 30, 1942 in Allendale, SC. She was the daughter of the late Roosevelt and Earnestine James.

She received her primary education in the area schools in SC. Mary Ann relocated to Springfield, MA later settling in Paterson, NJ. She was employed at the North Jersey Development Center Totowa for twenty years until retiring due to illness.

Sis. Adkins began attending Grace Chapel Baptist Church Paterson. She later joined and faithfully attended until her illness.

She was preceded in death by her son, Andrew Adkins, parents, Roosevelt and Earnestine James, and three brothers, Roosevelt, Jr., John and Miles.

She leaves to cherish wonderful memories: her loving companion of forty-six years, Andrew Hopkins; three children; one devoted daughter, Tomasina Adkins (Deven Rock Smith); two sons, Fernado Tyrone Adkins Paterson and Samuel Adkins (Lisa French Adkins) Newark, NJ; two sisters, Rosa Taylor and Debra Wilson both of Paterson; one brother, Henry James of Paterson; one aunt, Isabelle Drakeson Allendale, SC; three uncles, Freddie Morgan (Nancy Morgan) Pineland, SC, Willie Morgan Greenville, SC, Clarence James Detroit, MI; seven grandchildren, Sharina

*Saylor, Jacquis Saylor, Davon Smith, Tyrone Adkins, Javontay Adkins, Ebony Jones, Sanairy Adkins, Sharee Smith, Jacquis Edmund; eight great grandchildren, Am'yri, Madison, Mason, Jazzmar, Samya, Jason, Masiah and Spiritual Love; devoted friend, Joyce White; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family and friends that loved her dearly.*



# *Order of Service*

*Prelude*

*Call to Worship*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Remarks* ..... *Church*  
*Family*

*Selection*

*Words of Hope* ..... *Pastor Gregory Wilson*

*Recessional*

## **Interment**

*Monday, September 23, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.*

*East Ridgelawn Cemetery*

*Clifton, New Jersey*

*Mom you were tired I saw it in your face.  
The end was coming at a fast pace. So bad. I  
wanted you to stay. However, I quickly realized  
that you were already packed and ready to get  
away. So in time I came to understand that your  
will was not my command.*

*However this I didn't want to see.  
I had to let you go. So that you could be free.  
Though you lived a great and wonderful life  
And did all that you wanted to do -  
life just became too hard for you.*

*Mom it hurts to say goodbye.  
You was my best friend for forty plus years.  
I am going to miss you and may shed many tears.  
However its okay so farewell mom I know  
I will see you again some day.*

*Loving You Always,  
Daughter and Granddaughter*

### *Acknowledgements*

*The family of Mary Ann Adkins extend our gratitude  
and love for the many acts of kindness, support and  
prayers during this time. Your presence here today is  
an encouragement to our hearts. Thank you and may  
the blessing of the Lord be upon you all.*

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