

*In Loving Memory of*



*Alberta Potts*

*Sunrise*  
*April 21, 1937*

*Sunset*  
*November 15, 2013*

*Service*  
*Thursday, November 21, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.*

**ABYSSINIAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
224 West Kinney St. • Newark, NJ  
*Rev. Dr. Perry Simmons, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Alberta Potts** departed this life on November 15, 2013 at noon. She was born in Petersburg, Virginia on April 21, 1937, the daughter of the late Della Jackson and the late Henry Green, and the stepdaughter of the late Thomas Taylor. She was the oldest of their three daughters.

Alberta attended Peabody High School in Petersburg and later graduated from Rutgers University with a degree in Elementary Education. She was a teacher in the Newark School system for over twenty-seven years, until her retirement in 2007.

Alberta married Albert Potts in 1956 and their union was blessed with three children, Rosalind Alberta, Clementine Evette, and Albert. She was a loving mother as well as a devoted grandmother to her six granddaughters, Diondra, Kendra, Alyssia Potts and Bahja, Lea and Sana Johnson.

Alberta was a kind and giving woman who was strong in her faith and her convictions. She was called “Ma” by her children; “Grandma Bert” or “Mema Bert” by her grandchildren; “Umberta” by her nieces and nephews; and friend by the many who knew and loved her.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her children; her grandchildren; her daughter-in-law, Francine Potts; her son-in-law, Lethorne Johnson; her sister, Susan Taylor Kearse; and a host of relatives and friends.

Lovingly submitted,  
The Family

# Order of Service

Processional

Selection ..... “Amazing Grace”  
sung by Myra Burks-Davis

Scripture Reading ..... Evette Potts  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks ..... Albert Potts, Rosalind Johnson

Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary ..... Diondra Potts

Reading of Poem ..... Bahja Johnson

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

## Interment

Graceland Memorial Park  
Kenilworth, New Jersey

## Repast

Libretti's Restaurant  
554 Nassau Street  
Orange, NJ 07050  
973-673-5155

# God's Garden

God looked around His garden  
And found an empty place,  
He then looked down upon the earth  
And saw your tired face.  
He put His arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.  
He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew you were in pain,  
He knew that you would never  
Get well on earth again.  
He saw the road was getting rough  
And the hills were hard to climb,  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered, "Peace be Thine."  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.

## Pall Bearers

Albert Potts	Lethorne Johnson
Melvin Hunt	Steve Taylor
Durrell Taylor	Andre Hunt
Richard Spivey	Jerome Davis, Jr.

## *In Grateful Appreciation*

*We acknowledge all of the comforting expressions of love  
and concern shown to us during this time of bereavement.*

*Thank you and may God bless you.*

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