



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*



*Miriam E. McCoy*

*Sunrise*

*February 21, 1934*

*Sunset*

*April 27, 2014*

## *Obituary*

**Miriam Elizabeth Green McCoy** affectionately known as "Mimsey" to her family and friends departed this life on April 27, 2014. Born February 21, 1934 to Emily Pendleton and Theodore Green in Newark, New Jersey. During her early childhood, Mimsey attended the Sussex Avenue School and completed four years of high school at The Newark Vocational School for Girls.

After High School Miriam attended Essex County College receiving an Associates Degree in Nursing. She pursued a career in the Nursing Profession, becoming one of the first of the few African American nurses of her time in Newark. Miriam enjoyed the Nursing Profession and performed her Nursing duties proudly, while being employed at the Newark City Hospital for 20 years.

On July 14, 1970. Miriam married the love of her life Fairley McCoy, and remained his devoted wife until Fairley was called home on January 25, 2009.

Miriam had a love for God and continued to acknowledge her dependency on Him through out her life. She also loved working with her hands, among her hobbies were crocheting and cooking (especially with Fairley). Miriam loved to travel and enjoyed going to family functions and cook outs. Warmly affectionate Miriam always thought of others and would always end her visits and telephone conversations saying "I love You." She had a rye sense of humor that was a part of the spunk to her personality. Miriam also had a kind and generous spirit, her earthly presence will be missed.

Miriam was predeceased by her sister, Vera Gillus in 2012.

She leaves to cherish: her sister, Delores Anderson; loving brother, Theodore Greene II; loving brother-in-law, Percy Savage; daughters, Cindy (Ronald) Dewberry of Syracuse, NY, Donna (Michael) Dowdell of Akron, OH, Adrian McCoy of Brooklyn, NY; sons, Fairley McCoy of Houston, TX, Dennis McCoy of Brooklyn, NY; two God daughters, Marie Valentine and Wanda Lampley both of Newark, NJ; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Special Thanks to the Cotton Funeral Service Staff and to everyone in attendance and to Da-Bon Lampley for his display of "The life of Miriam McCoy."

To our beloved Miriam, We love you and we will see you again. Love the family.

*Memorial Service*

Saturday, May 3, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street  
Newark, New Jersey

**Bishop Ronald Dewberry, Officiating**

*Order of Service*

- Prelude..... Donnie McClurkin's - "We Fall Down"  
Scripture .....Psalm 23  
Prayer of Comfort..... Dr. Leonard Jeffries  
Remarks .....(please limit to two minutes)  
Obituary .....John Martin  
Solo..... Melissa Brown  
Eulogy..... Bishop Ronald Dewberry  
Pastor of New life Temple of Praise, Syracuse, New York  
Selection..... Marvin Sapp - "Never Would've Made It"



*Friends and Family are invited for repast immediately  
following the memorial service at  
Applebee's  
383 Springfield Avenue, Newark, NJ*

# Footprints

*One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life.*

*For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD.*

*When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life.*

*This really bothered her and she questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."*

*The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."*

## Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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