

*Homegoing
Celebration
for*

Marian Stradford

Sunrise
February 10, 1938

Sunset
April 22, 2014

Service

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

Abyssinian Baptist Church

224 West Kinney Street
Newark, NJ 07103

Rev. Perry Simmons, Officiating

Her Life Story

Marian Stradford was the daughter of the late Ernest B. Smith Sr. and Lillie Mae Hill-Smith. She was born on February 10, 1938 in Newark, New Jersey.

Marian was raised in Newark, NJ and graduated from South Side High School. She was married to the late Collie Stradford, Sr. She was a resident of Brick Towers, in Newark, New Jersey. In her later years, *Marian* moved to Browns Mills and became a member of Truevine Memorial Baptist Church in Browns Mills, NJ. Her employment included Woodbridge State School, Essex County Hall of Records, Dough Boy Inn at Fort Dix, and she was also a Home Health Aide.

Marian Stradford made her transition on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at her home in Browns Mills, NJ. She was preceded in death by her two brothers, Ernest and Marshall Smith, three sisters, Frieda, Janet and Doris Smith and she also endured the loss of two children, Robin and Victoria Stradford.

She leaves to cherish her memories through: her three daughters and two sons, Diane (Andy), Collie (Anne), Felicia (Waymon), Tony (Denise) and Angelique (Jimmy). She will be sorely missed by her surviving sister, Phyllis Smith; brother, Steven Smith and Gwendolyn K. Smith; grandchildren, Shaheerah, Jahmar, Terrel, Hakeem, Victoria, Alex, Tekai, Toni, Ashley, Christopher and Tameesha; six great grandchildren; and a host of other relatives.

Order of Service

Processional

Scriptures
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer

Selection

Obituary & Acknowledgements

Remarks

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Cremation

Fairmount Crematory
Newark, New Jersey



Come To Me



*God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered "Come to me"
The days of toil and nights of pain
The weary hours have passed
The patient gentle worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Day and night we stood by her
And saw her in pain,
Anxiously awaiting her cure
But our waiting was in vain.
God who knoweth all things best
Eased her suffering, gave her rest
She is gone but not forgotten,
Never will our memories fade
Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger
Round the place where she rests.
-Author unknown*

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in time of sorrow. Your prayers, visits, telephone calls and other acts of thoughtfulness will be greatly remembered. We pray that blessings will continuously be bestowed upon you.



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