

A Celebration of Life



Carrie Mae Dillard

May 11, 1930 - May 20, 2014

Service

Friday, May 30, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church

235 Seymour Avenue

Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Ralph M. Branch, Jr., Pastor

Obituary

Carrie Mae Dillard, daughter of the late Henry and Harriett, was born on May 11, 1930 in Greenville, South Carolina. She departed this life on May 20, 2014.

Carrie Mae was raised in Greenville, SC and attended the Greenville Public Schools. Carrie Mae moved to Newark, NJ in January 1960, and remained in New Jersey for the rest of her life.

Carrie Mae was employed at various companies throughout her life. She began working for the Newark Board of Education in the late 1970's as a school custodian. Subsequently, she earned her Black Seal Fireman's License in 1980, Operating boilers and becoming a head custodian. She worked at Weequahic High School, Warren Street School and Boyland Street School. She took great pride in her job, and was awarded several certificates and letters of recognition by her superiors over the years. She retired in 2002. She really enjoyed her retirement years.

Carrie Mae grew up in the A.M.E Church in Greenville, SC, after moving to Newark, NJ. She became a member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, and was baptized on July 2, 1961. She loved her church, and attended faithfully, until she was no longer able to. She loved God, and had a strong sense of spirituality.

Carrie was a Great and Loving mother. She had four wonderful children. Her two oldest children preceded her in death.

Carrie Mae was a strong, hardworking and independent woman. She always had a open and giving heart, along with a warm and loving spirit. She loved all of her family and community. She always extended her self to help anyone in need.

Carrie was the family's first fashionista. She loved to look good. She was always clean, neat, dressed, pressed and polished. She was an excellent cook, and loved to see children eat. She also loved music and dancing.

Those left to cherish her memory are: her children, Carolyn E. Dillard, and Michael T. Dillard (Gillian); grandchildren, Michael, Jr. and Amiel, who she resided with; her surviving siblings, Lillie Mae, of Newark, NJ, Henry Jr., of Greenville, SC, Mary Joan of Newark, NJ and Loretta of Newark, NJ; nine other grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Processional Minister and Family

Opening Hymn Choir

Prayer of Comfort Gillian Dillard

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....James McLean

New TestamentPastor James Deas
St. Luke A.M.E. Church

Reading of Obituary and Acknowledgements Edna Barnes

Selection Choir

Eulogy Rev. Ralph M. Branch, Jr.

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

Immediately following the interment family and friends are invited back to the church (Lower Level) for the repast.

Pallbearers

Eric Dillard	Barry Wiggins
Aaron Dargon	Robert Johnson
Michael Fuller	Kyle Clemmons
Irving Hill	Robert Dilworth

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.
-author unknown*

*In lieu of flowers, please donate to the
Carrie M. Dillard Scholarship Fund
in c/o Carolyn Dillard
294 Chadwick Avenue Newark, NJ 07112*

In Appreciation

The family wishes to thank everyone for their kindness shown during their hours of bereavement. Thank you for your many expressions of sympathy and concern.

The Family

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