

*Celebrating  
The Life  
of*



*Leary Anna Murphy*

*Sunrise*

August 19, 1929

*Sunset*

August 6, 2014

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 -11:00 a.m.

**ELMWOOD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

135 Elmwood Avenue

East Orange, New Jersey

*Rev. Robert N. Burkins, Officiating*

## *Obituary*

### **LEARY ANNA MURPHY**

The sixth of eight daughters born to the late Paul and Rosa Murphy was born on August 19, 1929 and departed this life on August 6, 2014, peacefully at the Alaris Nursing Home (St. Cloud) in West Orange, New Jersey. She was a life-long resident of East Orange, New Jersey.

LEARY ANNA gave her life to Christ at an early age and was a devoted member of the Mount Carmel Presbyterian Church of Newark until the merger with Elmwood Presbyterian where she remained a faithful member. Singing in the choir was her passion to the service of God. LEARY ANNA along with her sister, Lillian gave their service in song twenty-one years for many non-profit organizations.

LEARY ANNA found her niche in the employment world at the Drew University in Madison, New Jersey where she was the secretary to the Registrar, then becoming the Faculty secretary in the Theological School giving over forty-two years of devoted service to the institution. During her tenure, LEARY ANNA decided to start a book scholarship fund at the university to help students purchase their books. Donations can be made in her memory to the LEARY ANNA MURPHY BOOK FUND, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey.

LEARY ANNA is preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Rosa Murphy, six sisters, Virginia G. and Pauline R. Murphy, Dorothy E. Boone, Ruby T. Davis, Annette H. Melvin and Roumania E. Travis.

She leaves to mourn her passing: the last surviving Murphy sister, Ms. Lillian A. Murphy (HER TWIN); and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

LEARY ANNA would want all to know,  
“Be not weary in well doing, for in due season you shall reap if you faint not.” Galatians 6:9

## Order of Service

Seating of The Family.....The Funeral Director

Opening Hymn.....“Blessed Assurance”

Scripture Readings.....Matthew Boone

Old Testament - Psalm 34:1-9

New Testament - Phillipians 2:1-5

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection.....Tyrone Dunlap

Reflections.....Elmwood Presbyterian: Sister Wendy Burkins

Drew University Representatives: Tonya Linn Bennett & Laurel Kearns

Family: Deacon Raymond G. Murphy

Acknowledgements and Resolutions

Obituary.....Ms. Yolanda M. Murphy

Musical Selection.....Tyrone Dunlap

Message of Hope.....Rev. Robert N. Burkins, Pastor

Benediction

Recessional.....Clergy and Family

### **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

### Repast

Immediately following the services family and friends are invited to  
the repast at The Appian Way

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# *I Needed The Quiet*

*I needed the quiet so He drew me aside,  
Into the shadows where we could confide.  
Away from the bustle where all the day long  
I hurried and worried when active and strong.  
I needed the quiet tho' at first I rebelled  
But gently, so gently, my cross He upheld.  
And whispered so sweetly of spiritual things  
Tho' weakened in body, my spirit took wings  
To heights never dreamed of when active and gay.  
He loved me so greatly, He drew me away.  
I needed the quiet. No prison, my bed,  
But a beautiful valley of blessings instead -  
A place to grow richer in Jesus to hide.  
I needed the quiet, so He drew me aside.*

*-Alice H. Mortenson*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Leary Anna Murphy** will remember and cherish your many expressions of loving sympathy, prayers, messages and courtesies so graciously extended. Thank you and may God richly bless you.*

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