



*In Loving
Memory of*

Helen Anthony

Sunrise
June 15, 1923

Sunset
August 18, 2014

Service

Friday, August 22, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

Metropolitan Baptist Church

149 Springfield Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Selection

Eulogy

Viewing

Committal

Recessional

Interment

Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery
Kings Mountain, North Carolina

Obituary

Helen Keller Anthony started her life's journey on June 15, 1923 in Gastonia, North Carolina. Her mother, Julia Clemons, and her grandmother, Maude Gordon raised her and her brother Odell Clemons on a spacious mountaintop property in Kings Mountain, NC. Helen also lived with her aunts, Grace, Ruth, Callie, Theoda, Olivia, Florence, Ora and Mildred. They were like older sisters to her. They were all educated in North Carolina and the girls graduated from Lincoln Academy in Kings Mountain. Helen was a bright student and later pushed her children to excel in school as well.

Helen later moved to Newark where she met and married John Henry Anthony. They had four children: Regina, Brenda, Patricia, and Lorna Anthony. Helen worked as a domestic for many years and raised her family in a beautiful one family home on Clinton Ave. in Newark. The family attended Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Newark where Helen was a deaconess and an active member of church committee circle# 5.

Helen was a great mother who filled her children's life with love, culture, Christian education, and a mountain of support and care. She was a kind, nurturing, and extremely well liked woman who was a family favorite for many. She was also well known for being a good cook and hosted many family events where her southern cooking, cakes, and pies provided many unforgettably, delicious meals.

After many years of hard work and after ensuring her children had the tools to be self-sufficient, she moved back to Kings Mountain, NC where she cared for her mother and grandmother until they passed away. She continued living in North Carolina until she contracted Alzheimer's and was taken back to NJ by her family. Helen passed away on August 18, 2014. She was 91.

Helen is survived by her daughters Regina, Brenda, Pat, and her Aunt Mildred Saunders. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, Najiyah, Reuben, Neva, Obidiah, Michael, Bathsheba, Anika; and two great-grandchildren, Zamir and Zoey; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Togetherness

Death is nothing at all - I have only slipped away into the next room. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by my old familiar name, speak to me in the easy way which you always used. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be the household word it always was. Let it be spoken without effort. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was: there is absolutely unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of your mind because I am out of your sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well. Nothing is past: nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as before — only better, infinitely happier and forever we will all be one together with Christ.

-Author unknown

A Note of Thanks

With sincere appreciation and gratitude, we wish to thank you all for your words of encouragement and assistance during our time of bereavement.

May God's face shine upon you and give you peace!

We Love You All!!!
The Anthony Family

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