

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Georgianna "Ann" Thornton*

June 15, 1935 – December 18, 2014



**Friday, December 26, 2014 - 12:00 Noon**

**Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses**

470 Hawthorne Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

*Order of Service*

Opening Song  
No. 111

Opening Prayer

Obituary Reading

Funeral Discourse

Closing Song  
No. 134

Closing Prayer

**Interment**

Evergreen Cemetery  
1137 North Broad Street  
Hillside, NJ 07205

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*M.W. Garden State Brand Lodge  
875-883 Sanford Avenue  
Irvington, NJ 07111*

## Obituary

**Georgianna (nee Davis) Thornton** was born in Webster County, Georgia on June 15, 1935 and was the beloved daughter of George and Annie Maude Davis. She was educated in the Preston and Richland, Georgia school systems.

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She relocated to New Jersey in March of 1960 and stayed with her aunt in order to continue her relationship with LJ Thornton to whom she was engaged. They were married on May 21, 1960 in Newark, New Jersey. To this union five children were born: Veronica, Carolyn, Kenneth, Melisa and Reginald.

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Ann, as she was affectionately known, had a thirst for spiritual truth and this desire was nurtured when she was introduced to the light of God's Word by means of a bible study with Jehovah's Witnesses in 1961. She expressed her appreciation for the truths she learned by making a dedication to Jehovah God and symbolizing her dedication by water baptism on August 10, 1965. She faithfully lived up to her dedication and enjoyed sharing in various features of the Christian ministry. Despite her busy schedule, she auxiliary pioneered several times over the years. She did her best to instill in her children a love for Jehovah, by means of family bible studies, sharing in the field ministry, and making sure her children went to congregation meetings. Her most treasured desire was to see Jehovah's sovereignty vindicated, his name sanctified and to live when death is no more under the Kingdom to be ruled by Jesus Christ.

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Ann, who was always a loving and caring person, became a certified Home Health Aide which enabled her to demonstrate her deep concern for the elderly and the disabled. Over the years, she was employed at a number of home health care agencies, most notably, Chrill Home Health Care and Upjohn Home Health Care. After retiring from helping the elderly, she continued her caring ways by taking care of young children at a local child care facility.

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Ann was especially known for her tasty fried chicken and her scrumptious pineapple upside down cake. Besides her love of cooking, she loved to sew. She enjoyed watching baseball and her favorite team was the New York Mets. She also was an Avon representative for many years. Ann was a caring wife, mother, sister and friend; she will be truly missed by all of her family, relatives and a host of friends.

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Ann was predeceased in death by her husband, LJ Thornton, her parents, George and Annie Maude Davis, and brother Charles Eckerd Davis. She leaves to cherish her memory: five children: Veronica Battle (Ralph) of Newark, NJ, Carolyn Osborne (Darry'l), of Randolph, NJ, Kenneth Thornton of Newark, NJ, Melisa Thornton and Reginald Thornton, both of Irvington, NJ. Four grandchildren: Tyrell Battle, Telia Battle, LaTisha Johnson and Devon Battle. Special mention should also be given to Mrs. Willie Maude Chester, of Richland, Georgia, a first cousin, who was truly like the sister Ann never had, they shared a closeness that she truly treasured.

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*Job 14:13 - 15*

O that in the Grave you would conceal me, that you  
would hide me until your anger passes by,  
That you would set a time limit for me  
and remember me! If a man dies, can he live again?  
I will wait all the days of my compulsory service  
until my relief comes. You will call, and I  
will answer you. You will long for  
the work of your hands



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