

Celebration of Life for

Willie Mae Hunter

Sunrise

October 14, 1918

Sunset

December 20, 2014



Obituary

Today we are celebrating the blessed life of **Willie Mae Hunter** who was born on October 14, 1918 to the late Kathleen and Willie Jackson in Cheraw, South Carolina. She was preceded in death by her three younger sisters, Diane Scott, Bernice Hunt, and Alma Nanton.

At the age of sixteen, she moved to New York City where she became a licensed beautician. It was in NY that she married her first husband, Alvin Lee Perkins. From this union there were three sons and one daughter: Alvin Perkins Jr. (deceased), Billie Perkins Crump, Ronald Perkins (deceased) and Stephen Perkins (Faith). Her second husband was George Simpson where she raised a stepson, Steve Simpson (deceased) and her third husband, George Hunter (deceased) a step daughter, Emilie Hunter. Although never married, John Robinson (deceased) was a partner and shared a life with her that spanned over forty years.

Willie Mae was the head dietician for a nursing home in Montclair, New Jersey. She retired working for Metpath Labs in Teterboro, NJ. She came out of retirement to work as a home health aide where she developed many lasting friendships that added to her list of extended family.

An active and involved woman, Willie Mae served as a nurse, Sunday school teacher, Deaconess and Mother of the church during her many years of service. She loved bowling, playing bingo and gardening and was an avid traveler that loved to explore restaurants and thrift shops. For many years she was a member of the Elks and was a past Grand Daughter Ruler. Her life passion was serving others. She always made herself available to lend a helping hand, be it a meal prepared by her, a shoulder to cry on, or simply letting you know that she cared.

She was a resident of Teaneck, NJ over forty years. She split her time between Teaneck and Brea, CA in her later years where she lived with her granddaughter and was an active enrollee at the Brea Senior Center.

At the time of her transition she was a member of Brea Baptist Church in Brea, CA and one of the Mother's of the church at her home church, Mount Olive Baptist Church in Englewood, New Jersey.

Willie Mae left to cherish and pass along her legacy: her second set of children that she lovingly raised, Sharay Williams, Greg Williams, Kim Williams, Sean Williams, Simone Williams, Maleki Williams; her beloved grandchildren, Inger Cowan (Eddie), Alvin Perkins III, Dion Perkins and Maray Williams; great grandchildren, Brandon Cowan, Kayla Perkins, Alex Perkins, Rasheed Perkins, Dayvon Perkins, Tyler Cowan, Narcies Perkins, Bobby Hunter, Ashley Hunter and Matthew Hunter. In addition to the grandchildren that were named, she had a host of other grandchildren. Her special God daughters, Desiree Jones and Shelley Silverman; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins. But not to be forgotten, there were many extended family members that called her "mom" "grandma" "nana" and "auntie" please know she loved each and every one of you as her own.

Services

Saturday, December 27, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

Mount Olive Baptist Church

181 Warren Street • Englewood, New Jersey 07631

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Reading of Psalms – By Family

Prayer

Hymn

Reading of Poem - Darren Robinson

Obituary & Acknowledgments

Remarks – Bernadette Coleman

Solo

Eulogy - Rev. Miggins & Rev. Perry

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Cemetery

Paramus, New Jersey

Repast at Community Baptist Church, Englewood NJ

♥ Precious ♥



♥ Memories ♥



To Those I Love

*To those I love and those that love me,
When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I travel alone
So grieve for a while for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see me or touch me,
I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you so soft and clear
And then, when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say,
"Welcome Home."*

-Author unknown



Pallbearers

Alvin Perkins

Sean Williams

Tyler Cowan

Dion Perkins

Mark Anderson

Keegan Carter

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.

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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.*

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