

## Obituary



Agnes Layton was born on December 29, 1919 in Harnett County in the town of Dunn, North Carolina. During the wee hours on the morning of May 28, 2015, God sent one of His angels to whisper into the ear of Agnes Layton Warren and said it is time to move from labor to reward. She was the second of nine children born to Nathan and Gertrude Layton. Agnes grew up and thrived in the bosom of her large family. She received her formal education in the public school system in the town of her birth. She also received her Christian education and accepted Christ as her personal Savior during her youth. Agnes grew from a child and became a beautiful and modest Christian woman.

God blessed her and she met Amos Warren who became the love of her life. In 1947, they were married. They were living in Brooklyn, New York. In 1951, they relocated to Montclair, New Jersey. God blessed them with over 20 years of marriage when God called Amos to his reward.

Agnes, because she had the heart of a giver, became a health care worker and served many years as a private duty nurse. She was a humble woman with a humble spirit. She loved her patients. Included in her career was her position at Tong-sol Division as an Assembly Line Operator until her retirement after twenty-nine years of service.

Agnes was an outstanding homemaker. She kept a meticulously clean home. The term "You could eat off the floor" was exactly how to describe her home. And who could ever forget what a wonderful baker she was. It was clear that she put a lot of love into her baking because she loved baking cakes for everyone. There was a whole lot of love baked into her marble cakes, pound cakes, rum cakes, sweet potato pies, apple pies. They were mouth watering delicious. The marvel of the matter was that she always baked from scratch. There was a requirement that she placed on all who received her baked goods and that was that you MUST return the dish once the baked goods were finished. No excuses, no such thing as I forgot. Showing a little of her feisty side, she would absolutely call to remind you. She was recycling before it became fashionable.

Agnes's diet was very important to her. She was a health conscious eater and would only purchase fresh earth grown fruit and vegetables. Surely she was one of her doctor's favorite patients because she also believed in and took the doctor's advice. But she didn't forget or ignore her own remedies. One of her favorite sayings was "I took NO TEA for the fever".

Agnes was a liberated independent woman. An example of her spirit would be how in her late 80's and into her early 90's, she would convince her auto insurers that she would not drive at night and only use the car to go to the market. It worked. She could be very persuasive, but we all know that she did whatever she wanted to do.

There is no doubt, that Aunt Agnes will be missed, for she gave much loved and is much loved in return.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: her siblings, Aretha Lilly, Gloria Perry, Clifford and Angelo Layton; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

She has joined in eternity her husband, Amos, her parents, Nathan and Gertrude, her siblings, Solomon, Mae Gladys, Naomi and Gertrude "Candy".

REST Aunt Agnes... Thank you for a LIFE WELL LIVED.♡



Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Reflections
Stanley Foster
Family & Friends

Obituary Jenay Guilford

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Eulogy Rev. Dr. Marion J. Franklin

Recessional

### **INTERMENT**

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# Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade? Oh! But Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me In that way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' arm to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still: Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idly stand; Do it now, while life remaineth -You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home: Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!

### Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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