

Sunrise
September 16, 1931

*Sunset* June 11, 2015

#### Service

Tuesday, June 23, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

## GREATER ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Officiating Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Obituary

Mary Elizabeth Thompson was born September 16, 1931 in Tuscaloosa, AL. She was the eldest living daughter of Fred and Cora Jane Thompson.

Mary graduated from Tuscaloosa Industrial High School in 1949. She later relocated to New York City in the early 1950's, where she obtained work in the jewelry industry and raised family. She also worked for the New York State Election Board for many years. Mary and her eldest brother, Milton Thompson, was instrumental in bringing their mother and the rest of the siblings to New York City in the mid 1950's.

Those who had the pleasure to know her could not help but admire her strength, independence, hazel eyes, quick wit and fierce loyalty.

Mary turned her life over to Jesus and followed him home on June 11, 2015.

She was preceded in death by a son, Michael, two brothers, Milton and Fred Jr., and two sisters, Mildred and Lillie Mae.

She leaves behind: three loving children, Gregory Thompson (Bronx, NY), Jacqueline (Thomas) Ricks (Columbia, SC) and Valerie D. Thompson (Bronx, NY); three sisters, Ruby L. McDonald (Ocala, FL), Freddia (John) Moore (Salters, SC) and Willie Mae (Vincent) Ballard (Queens, NY); one brother, James Edward Thompson (Saginaw, MI); seven grandchildren, Tony, Tamika, Travon, Shakima, Michael Jr., Chanel and Corey; along with a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.





# Order of Service

| Processional               | Family                                      |
|----------------------------|---|
| Selection                  | Rev. David Jenkins                          |
| Scripture Readings         |   |
| Prayer                     |   |
| Selection                  | "Precious Lord"<br>Valerie Hall             |
| Acknowledgements           | Gwendolyn Hamilton                          |
| Remarks (2 minutes please) |   |
| Obituary                   | Gwendolyn Hamilton                          |
| Selection                  | "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"<br>Valerie Hall |
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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

## Interment

Kensico Cemetery • Valhalla, New York

### Repast

from 4 - 8 pm The Concourse Village Community Center 777 Concourse Village East • Bronx, NY 10451

I've changed my address to Heaven I've crossed the Great Divide. I know there's no sorrow or crying, Because I've reached the other side. I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place where you'll find me. I've changed my address to Heaven, I bid this world goodbye. I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky. I have no burdens or heartaches and from tears I am now free. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place to find me. I've changed my address to Heaven, I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion and my name is on the door. You can find us walking together, for where He is, I'll always be. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place you'll find me.

-Author unknown

# <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family would like to thank all those who kept Mary in their prayers. And to everyone at Amsterdam House Rehabilitation Center and New York Presbyterian/Milstein Hospital who assisted in making Mary's stay and transition as comfortable and dignified as possible.

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