

In Loving Memory of
Ethel Silvera

“Polly”

June 20, 1929 - August 17, 2015

Tuesday, August 25, 2015 - 11:00 am

Bethlehem Baptist Church

587 North 4th Street

Newark, New Jersey

Reverend Toney E. Jackson, Sr., Officiating

Julius McDowell, Organist



Praise & Worship Moore Family

Processional..... Clergy and Family

Prayer of Comfort Bro. Anthony Smith

Scriptures

Old Testament Bro. Robert Smallwood

New Testament Bro. James Fenner, Jr.

Musical Selection

Reflections of Love

Acknowledgements

& Resolutions .. Deaconess Frances Bradman

Obituary Deaconess Frances Bradman

Solo Eld. Lorraine Stancif-Lawson

Eulogy.....Rev. Toney E. Jackson, Sr.

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

REPAST

*The family will receive relatives
and friends at the Appian Way
619 Langdon Street, Orange, NJ,
immediately following the interment for repast.*

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Ethel "Polly" Silvera was born to the late Russell and Lillian Harris on June 20, 1929, in Newark, NJ. She transitioned from labor to reward on Monday, August 17, 2015.

Polly attended Webster Street Elementary School in Newark and graduated in 1943. She then went on to Barringer High School in Newark, and graduated in 1947. Her activities there included Glee Club, Essex County Chorus, Mixed Chorus, Spiritual Club, Student Council, Library Staff, Sales Board Yearbook, Service Club, Boots and Saddle, and Basketball. After high school, she attended Shaw University in Raleigh, NC, where she majored in Physical Education and Religion.

Polly met her loving husband, Malcolm Silvera, at the Bethlehem Baptist Church and was married on September 22, 1950. From this union, they had their one and only child, Vanessa. Years later Vanessa married Michael Smith and out of that union, Polly and Malcolm were blessed with five grandchildren.

Polly was a believer in working hard at whatever she did. She held positions in various job ventures before retiring, after twenty-five years, from the East Orange Municipal Court as a Municipal Court Clerk.

Polly was introduced to her home church Bethlehem Baptist at a very young age through a neighbor and faithfully attended until she became ill. She was baptized in 1941 by the late Rev. C.H. Glover. As a youth, she was a part of the Youth Choir, BYPU, and Sunday School. "Mother Polly" as she was affectionately known, continued to serve her church as an adult and was a member of the Sweet Sister's Ministry, Green Garden Club, and lifelong choir member. Her friendships that developed from years of church membership go far and wide. She was an influence to both young and old, and always gave an inspiring word of love, whether it seemed like it or not!

She has always been known for her quick wit, talkative nature, being in the "Know", and giving you her unadulterated opinion and spin on things. She loved her church and church family very much and was always willing to give whatever she could if the church was in need. Also having a humanitarian spirit she was a faithful contributor to The National Children's Cancer Society, March off Dimes, American Diabetes, Feed the Children, America's Hospitalized GI's and Veterans and the American Heart Association.

She leaves to celebrate her life, her beloved husband, Malcolm; her daughter, Vanessa (Michael, Sr.); five grandchildren, Alacie Bennett (Kuhnjuan), Michael, Jr., Malcolm (Christina), Alexis and Martin; eight great grandchildren; and a host of special nieces, nephews, family, friends and her beloved church family.

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To Say Goodbye

*To say goodbye is not the end
To all my family and friends
For life goes on, you must en-
dure*

*For my eternity is sure.
Remember all the good times
The memories we've shared
The precious jewels of laughter
The tender love and care.
I found my resting place
God's peace surrounds my soul
Let love abound in all your
hearts
Let heaven be your goal.*

-Author unknown

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.*

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