

*In Loving
Memory of*

Darlene McDowell

Sunrise
August 22, 1947

Sunset
October 13, 2015

Saturday, October 24, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

Pastor Warren McDowell, Officiating

Reflections of Life

We are here to celebrate the home going of **Miss Darlene McDowell**. Darlene who was a lifelong resident of Paterson, NJ was born August 22, 1947 to the late Washington and Mattie McDowell. She lived a very good life.

As a young lady, she attended Paterson Public School Number 2, which catered to children with disabilities and special needs.

She developed an excellent organizational system. Darlene kept her bedroom very neat. However she would sometimes forget to dust the furniture. She was known for placing her shoes and clothing a special way. She would never leave her bed unmade or socks on the floor. She enjoyed all outings, especially going to the park. She was never afraid of doctors or nurses, in fact when she would go to the doctor's office, she would say to the nurse, "stick me a little bit"!

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mattie and Washington McDowell, Sr.; six siblings, Alfonzo, Zana, Sharon, Mattie, Mark, and Washington McDowell, Jr., all of Paterson, New Jersey.

Darlene departed this life on Tuesday, October 13, 2015.

Darlene leaves to cherish precious memories: her three sisters, Gale and Dale (twins), both of Paterson, New Jersey, and Bonnie McDowell of Glendale, California; one brother, Jay C. of Paterson, New Jersey; a very caring and loving niece, Zana L. McDowell; and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Although her room is empty, our hearts will keep her locked inside. We will always remember precious memories of Darlene.

Order of Service

Prelude

Selection

“Precious Lord”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

“Jesus Loves Me”

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort

Pastor Warren McDowell

Prophetic Church of God, Paterson

(Cousin)

Recessional

Interment

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery

Fair Lawn, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

We would like to express our deepest appreciation and gratitude to our family members, Alma Chapman of California, and Beverly Mahoney for their love and support during this very difficult time. Your being there has shown us the true definition of "family".

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