



In Loving Memory of

Mary A. Major

Sunrise: April 5, 1943

Sunset: October 23, 2015

Service

Friday, October 30, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

GREATER REFUGE TEMPLE

2081 7th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Obituary

Mary A. Major was born in Charleston, South Carolina on the fifth day of April, 1943, and on October 23, 2015, Sister Mary departed this life as a woman who feared God and maintained a strong personal relationship with him.

During the course of her life, she was educated at Charleston, South Carolina's Immaculate Conception School where she was first introduced to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She would often talk about encounters with God as a young girl which led her, as the years progressed, to keep the strong relationship coveted with God. Her desire was to see Jesus in everyone and she never faltered in sharing her faith in the Lord.

In the late 1960's, Mary migrated to New York City where her insatiable quest for knowledge caused her to seek other educational experiences that included the Borough of Manhattan Community College, Bronx Community College and Wilfred Academy School of Cosmetology. Mary was an employee of the Ma Bell telephone company and subsequently pursued her entrepreneurial abilities that included cosmetology and sales. Her most rewarding endeavor was that of foster mother to children fortunate to encounter the nurturing and loving spirit she possessed.

Mary became a faithful member of the Greater Refuge Temple under the pastorate of the late Bishop William Lee Bonner. She loved her church and church family. Mary was a member of the Voice of the Temple Radio Choir and sang to the glory of God for many years. Her love for Christ could be seen by her praise to him in weekly worship services.

Preceding Sister Mary in death are her parents, three sisters, a nephew and son-in-law. Bereaving her are her children: d. Vawn Majorhazell (Darin) of NY, Barbara Major-Robinson (Isaac) of SC, R. Blair Major of NY, Orlandau C. Major (Vera) of GA and Rodney Major (Kenya) of NY; a nephew, Clarence Richardson and his family of LA; her grandchildren, James, Jacoya, Candice, Jennifer, Sydney, Corey, Devon, Janae, Roneesha, Rodney Jr. (Shakel), Jada, Jade, Jaeden, Jaylee and Junior; great grandchildren, Nevaeh, Darnell, Nyjhea, Sidney, Madison, Tahj and Maya. Further sharing in the bereavement of Sister Mary are her close friends, Joyce John, Joan Staten, Patricia Bowman, Mary Mitchell, Joan and Tyron. And, magnified in number, near and far are a myriad of relatives and friends and her special friend, John Perry with his family, all share in the Major family's bereavement.

Order of Service

Officiating: BISHOP WILKINS - Pastor of the Greater Refuge Temple

PRELUDE..... Organist

PROCESSIONAL

HYMN:

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING:

Old Testament

New Testament

REMARKS, RESOLUTIONS & REFLECTIONS

SOLO.....Dr. Jeryl Cunningham-Fleming

EULOGY.....Bishop Wright

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

Entombment

Woodlawn Mausoleum

Bronx, New York

Vibrates In The Memory

Odours, when sweet violets sicken
Live within the sense they quicken.
Rose leaves, when the rose is dead,
Are heaped for the beloved's bed;
And so thy thoughts, when thou art gone,
Love itself shall slumber on.

Percy Bysshe Shelley

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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