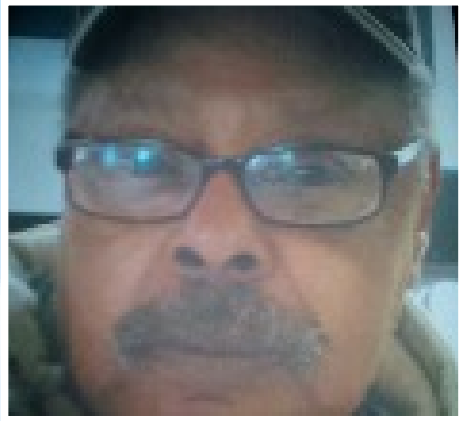
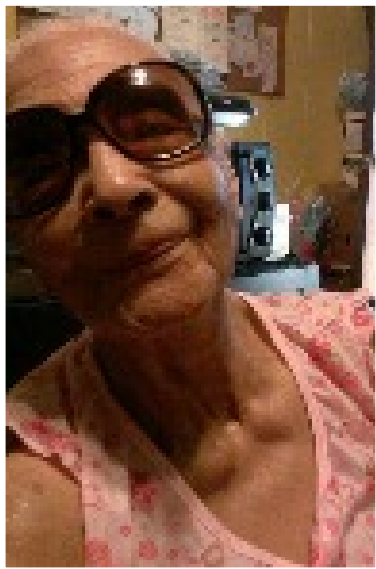


In Loving Memory
of
Esther W. Highsmith
&
Edward Highsmith



Sunrise
August 9, 1909
Sunset
November 9, 2015

Sunrise
March 1, 1942
Sunset
November 10, 2015

Saturday, November 14, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

FIRST HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH
525 Orange Street • Newark, New Jersey

Order of Service

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP.....Job 14: 7-14

⁷ "For there is hope for a tree, If it is cut down, that it will sprout again, And that its tender shoots will not cease. ⁸ Though its root may grow old in the earth, And its stump may die in the ground, ⁹ Yet at the scent of water it will bud And bring forth branches like a plant. ¹⁰ But man dies and is laid away; Indeed he breathes his last. And where is he? ¹¹ As water disappears from the sea. And a river becomes parched and dries up, ¹² So man lies down and does not rise. Till the heavens are no more, They will not awake, Nor be roused from their sleep. ¹³ "Oh, that You would hide me in the grave, That You would conceal me until Your wrath is past, That You would appoint me a set time, and remember me! ¹⁴ If a man dies, shall he live again? All the days of my hard service I will wait, Till my change comes

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

THE OLD TESTAMENT.....Psalm 23

THE NEW TESTAMENT..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

THE PRAYER OF COMFORT

SOLOMichael William

THE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & RESOLUTIONSChurch Clerk

REMARKS..... (2 minutes)

MUSICAL SELECTION

FAMILY REFLECTIONS

OBITUARY(Read Silently)

SOLO.....Kendell Wiggins

THE WORDS OF COMFORTPastor Antonio Porter

MUSICAL SELECTION

* THE RECESSIONAL

*Congregation Standing

Repast will be immediately following the funeral in our fellowship hall.

INTERMENT
Rosemount Cemetery
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Obituary

Ester Highsmith was born on August 9th, 1909 in Vivalia, GA to the parents of Frank and Minne Horne. She had nine brothers and sisters.

She met and married Fred Highsmith in McGreagor, GA, where they had two daughters, Otera and Jean. They moved to Newark, NJ and had three sons, Fred, Jr., Edward and Wayne. From these children came sixteen grandchildren, twenty-eight great grandchildren, sixteen great-great grandchildren and two great-great-great grandchildren.

She worked at Columbus Hospital in Newark for thirty years, until she retired.

She was a member of Hopewell Baptist Church which would become First Hopewell Baptist Church. She served as a Trustee's Wife and a Deaconess for the rest of her life.

She was called home on November 9th 2015. She is survived by her sons, Fred, Jr. and Wayne Highsmith; and a host of other relatives and love ones.

May She rest in Peace.

Edward George Highsmith was born on March 1st, 1942 in Newark, NJ the fourth child and second son of the late Fred Duncan and Esther Highsmith.

From birth until death, "Edward had a personality all his own". "Edward was always....Edward"! He attended local schools and graduated from Central High School in Newark. He was employed as a Newark Special Police Officer for many years before retiring as a security officer for Honeywell Inc.

He leaves to mourn and cherish fond memories: his daughters, Kia and Ebony; his sons, John and Halie; grandchildren, Mehki, McKenzie, Brianna, Ra'zon, Asiyah, Sa'diyah, Halie, Justin, Janell, Janaya and Tyeisha; three great grandchildren; his ex-wife, Linda; his brothers, Fred Highsmith, Jr. and Wayne Highsmith; along with a host of other close relatives and friends.

Edward was preceded in death by his two sisters, Otera Highsmith-Williams and Jean Iris Highsmith-Christmas.

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Stay

*Stay, that's what so many of us wanted to say
They said we're sorry we have to go because God
has made away for them to look down upon you*

*A way for them to guide you through
The many obstacles that God has planned
And because of their strength they know you too will stand
What will we do without you?*

*They said live on that's what they want you to do.
Because know that their still with you in everything you do.
Who will we talk to and which way do we turn?*

*They said turn to each other, time and time again
for there are lessons to be learned.*

*Learn from each other no matter how old or young
Because know that you are all family so don't forget to behave as one
What about when we miss you and we just want to see your face?*

*They said just think of us smiling at you
in your most memorable time and place.*

*How do we know that you're up there and that you're alright?
They said we were a good-hearted people
so God has received us now and
we no longer have to fight.*

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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