

Sunrise August 19, 1933

Sunset December 12, 2015

Friday, December 18, 2015- 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Pastor: Tyrone McDonald, Officiating

## Reflections of Life

Jeanette (Turner) Thomas was born on August 19th, 1933 to the late Woodrow and Erma Turner in Newark, NJ. She was the second child of three siblings.

Jeanette, affectionately known as "Netta," was educated in the Newark Public School system.

After attending school, she met and was happily married to the late Arthur Thomas for forty-seven years. From this union, they were blessed with eight beautiful children: Deborah, Philip (deceased), Harriet (deceased), Frederick (deceased), Denise, Venus, Marilyn and Leroy.

Jeanette worked for the Newark Public School System for thirty years as a food service worker until her retirement. She enjoyed her job and loved the children.

Those who knew and met Jeanette found her to be a loving, caring and giving person. She was an OUTSTANDING woman who always thought of others first by opening up her heart and home to many.

Jeanette enjoyed her family at cookouts and family gatherings, but most of all she enjoyed trips to the casinos. Every time before she went to the casinos, she would call her children to say "I'm on my way to PA or AC!" with such excitement in her voice. She loved it! That was her playground.

Our Mother will be truly missed! She was the heart and soul of our family. She always made sure she kept family together. We will miss the phone calls as well as the family gatherings we shared with her.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents, Woodrow and Erma Turner; husband, Arthur Thomas, one brother, Woodrow Turner, Jr.; three children, Philip, Frederick and Harriet. She leaves her children to lovingly cherish her memory: Deborah (Frank) Brown, Denise (Louis) Carmona, Venus (Kevin) Lucas, Marilyn (Mark) Kidd and Leroy (Donna) Thomas; two other daughter- in- laws: Cheryl Thomas and Robin Harris; one brother: George Turner, 8 sister in laws: Rosetta, Mabel, Lois, Vivian, Yvonne, Louise, Melvina and Bernice; 26 grandchildren, over 45 greatgrandchildren, 9 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

## Order of Service

| Musical Prelude                                     |                                      |
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| Scripture Reading<br>Old Testament<br>New Testament | Pastor Tyrone McDonald               |
| Prayer of Comfort                                   | Pastor Tyrone McDonald               |
| Selection   | Stephanie Benjamin<br>Cheyney Joplin |
| Remarks   | (Two minutes each please)            |
| Acknowledgements                                    |                                      |
| Obituary  | Deb Thomas                           |
| Selection   | Stephanie Benjamin<br>Cheyney Joplin |
| Eulogy  | Pastor Tyrone McDonald               |
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<u>INTERMENT</u>

Recessional

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Repast to be held at: Christian Pentecostal Church- Fellowship Hall 971 Clinton Avenue, Irvington, NJ

## AS I SIT IN HEAVEN

As I sit in heaven and watch you every day,
I try to let you know with signs, that I never went away.
I hear you when you're laughing and watch you as you sleep.
I even place my arms around you to calm you as you weep.
I see you wish the days away, begging to have me home.
So I try to send you signs so that you'll know you are not alone.
Don't feel guilty that you have life that was denied to me.
Heaven is truly Beautiful, just you wait and see.
So live your life, laugh again, enjoy yourself be free.
Then I know with every breath you take.
You'll be taking one for me.



We take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude for all of the expressions of love, prayers, and acts of kindness shown to us during this change of season.

It is our prayer that God's grace will Bless and keep you The Family of Jeanette Thomas

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