

*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life
Of*

Gertrude Watson




Sunrise:
January 28, 1927

Sunset:
January 22, 2016

Funeral Service
Friday, January 29, 2016 ~ 11:00 am

Shiloh Baptist Church
95 Murray Street
Elizabeth, New Jersey
Reverend William H. Ingram, Pastor



Life Reflections

Gertrude Watson was born on January 28, 1927 in Elizabeth, New Jersey, daughter of the late Emma Mixson Watson and Otis Watson. She was the fifth of six children. Gertrude attended the Elizabeth Public School system. When she was twelve, the family relocated to Roselle, New Jersey in 1940 where she graduated from Abraham Clark High School.

She was a Telephone Operator at New Jersey Bell Telephone (now Verizon) for 30 years of dedicated service, retiring in 1990. Gertrude also held a secretarial position on the board of the Pioneer Committee.

Gertrude, who was a Breast Cancer Survivor, touched many lives and will be remembered for her sense of humor, knowledge of current events and unconditional love. She was a loving and caring aunt who devoted her life to raising her nieces and nephews. She enjoyed spending quality time with her family and friends at “917.” The family could always rely on her to “capture the moment” with her camera.

She had a passion for traveling and visited Japan, Europe, China, Africa and Hawaii. She also loved gardening, sewing, crocheting, puzzles, and bingo.

A lifelong member of Shiloh Baptist Church, she served faithfully in her Missionary work in the Soup Kitchen and feeding the needy.

On Friday, January 22, 2016, Gertrude Watson answered the Master’s call at the age of eighty-eight.

She was predeceased by her brother, Hugh Watson, and sisters, Georgia Mae Burns and Lulu Brown.

Gertrude leaves to cherish fond memories, her sister, Iola Watson and brother, Marion “Bip” Watson of Roselle, New Jersey; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great-great nieces, great-great nephews, 1 great-great-great niece, 2 great-great-great nephews; godson, Mark Gates; dear relatives and friends.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Aunt Gert,

We thank you and love you dearly and will always cherish our fond memories. We will always remember your beautiful smile, advice, support, and especially your big heart!

~ Love your Nieces and Nephews

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional.....Family & Clergy

Call to Worship.....Reverend William H. Ingram

Invocation

Selection

Holy Scriptures.....Minister Katherine Gates

Old Testament: 23rd Psalm

New Testament: John 14:1-6

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

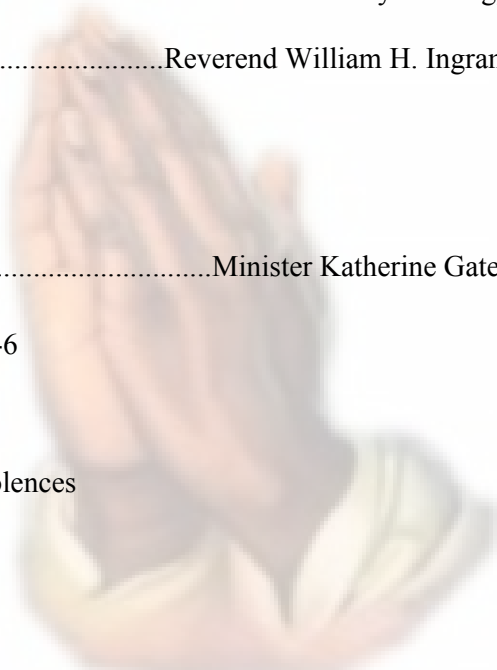
Selection

Eulogy.....Reverend William H. Ingram

Closing Congregational Hymn

Benediction.....Reverend William H. Ingram

Recessional



<p><u>Resting Place</u> Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey</p>

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Pallbearers

Family and Friends of **Gertrude Watson**

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of **Gertrude Watson** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.

