In Loving Memory

Martha Earving Christopher

Sunrise April 6, 1933 Sunset January 28, 2016



Thursday, February 4, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

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Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Poem Reading Janayah Davila

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary Reading Sheila Davila

Selection Angie Drayton

Eulogy Christine Maxwell

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Heavenly Rest Memorial Park East Hanover, New Jersey

Obi<u>tuary</u>

The late Martha Earving Christopher the daughter of Harry and Elivar Ross Earving was born on April 6, 1933 in Aiken, South Carolina she departed this life on January 28, 2016.

Martha was educated in Aiken Public School system in Aiken, South Carolina. At the age of 17 Martha was united in holy matrimony to the late McClinton Christopher in Aiken, South Carolina in 1950. Who preceded her in death in 1978. In Aiken, South Carolina three children was born to this union, later they relocated to New Jersey where four more children was born to this union, seven children was born in all. Two preceded her in death Jimmy and Johnny Christopher.

After relocated to New Jersey they brought a home at 765 S. 14th St. it was not just any home it became a home for many. Martha was well known and respected throughout her neighborhood. She realize that love was not love unto you gave it away. Because her ministry of compassion and love for children led her to foster many as if they were her own. Some say it takes a village to raise a child, Martha heart and home was that village.

Martha was a God-fearing woman that gave herself to the Lord she was not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. At the close of the day Martha said I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; I am now ready, the time of my departure is at hand, don't worry about me, don't cry for me, I am going to be with my brother and sisters, I am going to be with the Lord.

She was affectionately known to many as mom, grandma, Auntysister, are the lady with all of them foster kids. Martha was known to say (God help us if it's your will) are (good night) however most of the time she will give you the side eye and you would already know what that meant.

Martha was loved by many and will sincerely be missed.

She was preceded in death by two sisters Elizabeth Harris, and Gertrude Wilson and one brother Raymond Earving.

Martha leaves to cherish her memory her five children McClinton, Duane, Dwight, Darlene, and Trenell Christopher. One sister in law Charlotte Earving, 29 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren, and 4 great great grandchildren. And a host of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

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Grandma's Gone To Heaven

One quiet day the angels came And took grandma far away But in the stillness of the night I could almost hear her say.

"Dear grandchild - I will miss you You mean so much to me But Jesus called me to his side In Heaven I will be.

A place of God's great beauty No tears or earthly cares Only peace & joy forever And love beyond compare.

So remember all the good times Don't think about the sad Treasure all the special moments Through the years we've always had.

And if you trust in Jesus I can promise this & more You will get a hug from grandma Someday on Heaven's golden shore."

Written by Great Granddaughter, Janayah Davila

Hcknowledgement

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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