The Life Celebration Of Esther M. Richardson

October 10, 1934 - February 11, 2016



Tuesday, February 23, 2016 Viewing 10:00 A.M. -11:00 A.M. Service 11:00 A.M.

Elmwood United Presbyterian Church

135 Elmwood Avenue East Orange, N.J. 07018 Pastor Hodari S. Williams, Officiating

Order of Service

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*Call To Worship		
*Opening Hymn"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"		
Prayer		
*Scripture Reading Old Testament: <i>Psalm 121</i> Epistle: <i>1 Corinthians 15:51-58</i>		
Soloist		
AcknowledgementsCourtney E. Chambers		
Remarks		
Reading Of The Obituary Robyn Dawson-Bryant		
Selection		
Eulogy		
Closing Hymn"God Has Smiled on Me"		
*Recessional		
Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth, N.J.		
PallbearersAbdul B. Ameer, Talib Ameer, Roscoe C. Bryant, Jr., Reuben Johnson, Jr., Kyle Reeves, Wayne A. Shareef, Jr.		
Honorary Pallbearers Walter D. Chambers, Clyde Dawson		
Repast immediately following the interment at the church.		

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Elmwood United Presbyterian Church and The Historical Society of East Orange, Incorporated

* Please Stand

Obituary

Esther Mae Richardson of East Orange, New Jersey, passed away on February 11, 2016 at her home.

Born in Arlington, Georgia, Esther was the daughter of the late Deanna Hall Richardson and Ollie Richardson. She was the eldest of 8 children.

Esther was married September 22, 1973 to the late Herman Mathis.

Esther was educated in the Newark Public Schools. She attended Morton Street Elementary School, Robert Treat Jr. High School and South Side High School, where she graduated in 1954. She was an enthusiastic learner, majoring in business while in high school, where she also became a cheerleader.

Over the years, Esther was employed at Blue Cross Blue Shield, Kislak Realty and retired in 1999 after numerous years at NJIT.

Esther was a devoted Christian and long-term member of Elmwood United Presbyterian Church, a member of Elmwood Presbyterian Women, a Life Member of the NAACP and a member of The Historical Society of East Orange, Incorporated.

Esther is survived by 3 sisters, Elizabeth Chambers (Walter) of East Orange, N.J., Lucille Lee and Elaine Shareef, both of Kings Mountain, N.C. and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Esther was pre-deceased by siblings, Morell Richardson of Newark, N.J., Mollie Dawson (surviving spouse, Clyde) of West Orange, N.J., Ollie Richardson, Jr. of Newark, N.J. and Joseph Richardson of Newark, N.J.

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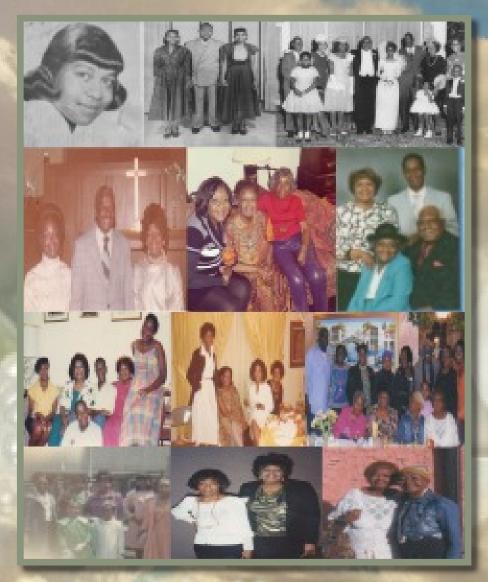
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