

Homegoing Celebration for



Caroline Jean Shivers

Sunrise
February 17, 1935

Sunset
March 7, 2016

Service

Friday, March 11, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

Sardis Baptist Church

45-11 Park Avenue
Bronx, New York

Reflections of Life

Caroline Jean, was born to the late Willie Johnson and Emma Lou on February 17, 1935, at Jefferson Davis Hospital in Houston Texas. As a young woman she moved to New York where she fell in love and married her beloved late husband, Johnny Shivers on March 8, 1957. Later they would share from that union in the joy of raising ten children of their own, two sons, Darryl and Glen Shivers, who preceded her in death. During Caroline's life she worked for the AT&T Telephone Company until retirement, in 1991.

Caroline (Mother Shivers) loved the Lord and received Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior in the early 1980's along with her beloved late husband Elder Johnny Shivers at Friendship Community Mennonite Church, Bronx, New York. Mother Shivers served the Lord through various ministries at Friendship in such capacities as women's ministry, usher board, choir member and church council board member as well as serving as a board member of the Friendship Community Church Day Care Center. Caroline later went to further utilize her love for the Lord in serving the Lord for a few years at Community Church, Bronx, New York under the leadership of Pastor Misir. Mother Shivers led by example. She followed the leading of the Lord along with her beloved late husband, Deacon Johnny Shivers to their final house of worship at Carolina Baptist Church, under the leadership of Rev. Franklin D.R. Chandler. There she served as an active in-house Deaconess, and a faithful member of the hospitality ministry.

Mother Shivers was known for her strength, encouragement and love. Her wisdom, patience and devotion touched the lives of all those around her. There is nothing Mother Shivers would not do for the people she loved. She was known for her wise counsel and discerning spirit. As we reflect on her life, we know that she is with our heavenly Father. Mother Shivers loved her family, church members, and friends alike.

She leaves to mourn, eight children, sixteen grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren one daughter-in-law, four sons-in-law, and a host of relatives and friends. She will be greatly missed by all.

Order of Service

Music Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Mark Perri
(Immanuel Community Church)

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23..... Rev. Dr. Donnie Baker (S.B.C)

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Selection

Reflections:

Family-Deacon Ralph Johnson (Son)

Minister Tracey Christy (Daughter)

Friends-Sis. Thelma Jackson

Community-Sis. Evone Capers

Church-Rev. Brenda McGirt (C.B.C)

Acknowledgement/Resolutions..... Elder Darryl Burke

Reading of Obituary..... Eunisah Burke

Selection

Eulogy..... Rev. Franklin D.R. Chandler (Pastor C.B.C)

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Mt. Holiness Cemetery

Butler, New Jersey

I'm Free



*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in time of sorrow. Your prayers, visits, telephone calls and other acts of thoughtfulness will be greatly remembered. We pray that blessings will continuously be bestowed upon you.



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