



*In Loving Memory of*  
***Michelle R. Kilpatrick***

*Sunrise*  
*June 25, 1961*

*Sunset*  
*May 17, 2016*

*Thursday, May 26, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.*

***FIRST TIMOTHY BAPTIST CHURCH***  
*215 Chancellor Avenue • Newark, New Jersey*

*Pastor Andre L. Coffee, Officiating*

# *A Beautiful Journey*



*Michelle Robin Calhoun was a native of Newark, New Jersey, born on June 25, 1961 to the late Alfred Calhoun and Dorothy Mae Whitfield. She was one of 3 sisters and 5 brothers.*

*In 1979, she graduated from Weequahic High School and furthered her education at Rutgers University where she studied nursing. After 3 years, she decided it wasn't for her. In 1982, she began working for the Social Security Administration at 50 Park Pl. in Newark, NJ where she worked for a couple of years. She then moved on and started working for the United States Postal Service. During her 30 plus years, she moved up the ranks to become Postmaster and received numerous awards, recognitions and accomplishments.*

*Michelle always had a love for life and encouraged others to feel the same. Her pleasantry and love of people was heartfelt and shared with everyone she came in contact with. In 1994, Michelle was introduced to Derrick Kilpatrick by a friend of hers and in 2013 they married. From this union, Michelle gave birth to De'Shaun Kilpatrick. She also took on the role of stepmom to his two sons from a previous relationship, Derrick Jr. and Desmond. Michelle was a loving and dedicated wife, mother, sister and friend. When greeting people she famously says, "How are you doing young man or young lady" and after the response she would respond "Beautiful". Michelle was simply "Beautiful"!*

*Michelle was predeceased in death by her parents Alfred Calhoun (2014) and Dorothy Mae Whitfield Calhoun (1970); brothers Craig (2005), Dwight (2006); sister Johnnie Mae Studstill (2010).*

*She leaves to forever cherish her memory a devoted family; husband, Derrick Kilpatrick; son, De'Shaun Kilpatrick; sister, Thurese; brothers, Alfred Jr., Ronald, Lance; a niece, a host of nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.*

# Order of Service

*Presiding – Pastor Andre’ L. Coffee*

*Musical Prelude.....Gregory Kilpatrick, Organist*

## *Scripture Lessons*

*Old Testament - Psalm 23.....Claude Chapman*

*New Testament - 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5: 1-9.....Raymond Horner*

*Selection.....“Cry for Me”.....Jane Befumo*

*Cards & Acknowledgment.....Rosemary Horner*

*Reflections of His Mother.....De’Shaun Kilpatrick*

*Reading of A Beautiful Journey.....Derrick Kilpatrick*

*Selection.....“Eye On The Sparrow”.....Jane Befumo*

*Remarks.....Pastor Andre’ L. Coffee*

*Eulogy.....Pastor Andre’ L. Coffee*

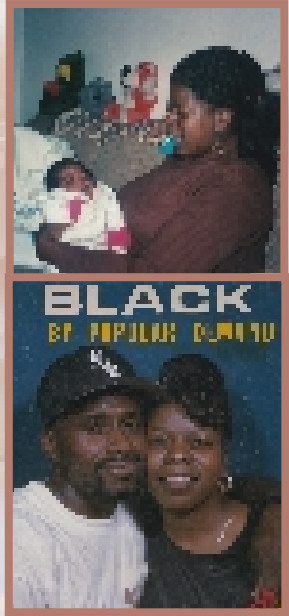
*Recessional.....Gregory Kilpatrick, Organist*

## Interment and Repast

*Interment will be held in Rosehill Cemetery, Route 1 & 9 North, Linden, New Jersey. Immediately afterwards everyone is invited to return to the church basement for repast.*

*God saw the road was getting rough*

*The hills were hard to climb,  
He gently closed those loving eyes  
And whispered "Peace Be Thine."  
The weary hours, the days of pain,  
The sleepless night past,  
The ever patient worn out frame  
Has found home at last.  
Safe in the arms of God,  
Safe on His gently breast  
Sweetly, my soul shall rest.*



*Pall Bearers:*

*De'Shaun Kilpatrick    Derrick Kilpatrick  
Lance Calhoun            Ariel Kilpatrick  
Eric Calhoun              Jelani Walker*

*Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended during the illness and subsequent passing of our loved one. Your heartfelt sympathy at this time of sorrow is greatly appreciated with many thanks. It was the love of you who made our great loss more bearable. Please continue to pray for us as we will for you.*

*The Family*

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