

Marsha Celeste (Crockett) Edwards

Sunrise April 13, 1948 Sunset June 25, 2016



Reflections of Life

Marsha Celeste Crockett Edwards of Passaic, NJ fell into the loving arms of Jesus on Saturday, June 25, 2016. She is the daughter of Dorothea Francis McNeal Crockett and the late John Crockett. Marsha was born on April 13, 1948 in Passaic and attended the Passaic School system through the 9th grade. In 1963, the family moved to Rutherford, NJ where she completed high school and then furthered her education at the Berkeley Secretarial School. Marsha was the first and oldest grandchild on both the maternal and paternal sides of the family.

Marsha was very smart and exceptionally clever. She was employed successfully in her career as a medical secretary for Doctor Gerrard and Welseman Healy and legal secretary for the attorney group, Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins. After retiring from Javerbaum, Marsha was asked to come back part time which turned into full time employment, again.

Marsha loved to travel especially to her favorite haunt, the Bahamas. She would travel there, just for the weekend, several times a year. She was also anointed by God through her hands to sew and cook exceptionally well, sharing home cooked meals with close friends and acquaintances. She was bold, kindhearted, and loved her parents, sisters, her husband, "Big John", her son, John John, nephew, Alton Weston dearly. She also shared a very close relationship with her Uncle Blair McNeal of New York City, Aunt Rosalee Neal of Bellevue, NE, and close childhood friends, Andrea Williams and Wilmont (Butch) Cousins. Marsha also took a special interest in her sister-in-law, Susan Edwards of Clifton, NJ. She played cards with a close neighborhood family, the Jenkins of Rutherford, and at an early age, she attended the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Passaic.

In 1976, Marsha became betrothed to John Lee Edwards II of the lower eastside of Manhattan, NYC. From this union, one child was conceived, John Lee Edwards III who is the proud father of Marsha's grandson, Jayden Edwards, the apple of her eye. Marsha also had a stepson, Jayson Rutherford.

Marsha was predeceased by her father, John Crockett, her grandparents, James Cleo Crockett, Mary Clifford Crockett, Samuel Alexander McNeal and Freda Marshall McNeal.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her beloved husband, John Lee Edward II (Big John) of Passaic; one son, John Lee Edwards III of Passaic; one grandson, Jayden Edwards; her mother, Dorothea Crockett of Rutherford, NJ; two sisters, Glenna Dorothea Crockett of Hackensack, NJ and Karen C. Crockett of Williamsport, PA; stepson, Jayson Rutherford; two sisters-in-law, Susan Smith of Clifton and Elizabeth Edwards; four nephews, Evan Jordan Reid, Alton Weston, Richard Edwards and Charles Edwards; one niece, Sherice Renee' Crockett; three great nieces, Altiana Weston, Precious Haith and Harleigh Reid; three great nephews, Jeremiah Adams, John Adams and Jared Edwards; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Wednesday, July 6, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

221 Myrtle Avenue Passaic, New Jersey

Rev. Kortney L. Haigler, Officiating

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Reflections of Life

Remarks

Selection

Words of Comfort Pastor Kortney Haigler

Recessional

Final Disposition

Cedar Lawn Crematory Paterson, 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

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of the late Marsha Celeste (Crockett) Edwards wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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