In Loving Memory of Mother Geneva (Staton) Bryant



Sunrise February 5, 1914

Sunset August 26, 2016

Service

Friday, September 2, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

MT. PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

163 Autumn Street • Passaic, New Jersey Rev. Dr. W. Louis McDowell, Officiating

Obituary

Mother Geneva Caniville Bryant, 102 years, of Passaic, New Jersey finally made her transition on Friday, August 26, 2016 after a full and long life. Born on February 5, 1914 in Hobsgood, North Carolina, she was the daughter of the late Sarah and Caniville Staton.

She was educated in the Hobsgood, NC School system. When she came to New Jersey, she worked at Presto Locks in Garfield, and for more than twenty years at the No. Six School Annex in Passaic and worked in a uniform factory designing Army uniforms

She was a member and Mother of the 2nd Timothy Church under the leadership of Rev. Frank England for over twenty years.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Sarah and Caniville Staton and her husband, Willie Bryant, one sister, Leonia Joyner, two daughters, Bernice Staton and Elaine Bryant, one granddaughter, Shirley Staton, also nieces and nephews from NC.

She leaves to mourn her in this life: one loving and caring son, Vincent Staton and her loving daughter, Leora {Dukie} Staton; one loving daughter-in-law, Ida Staton; twelve grandchildren, thirty-four great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren. A host of nieces and nephews who all loved and honored her.

Grandma looked forward to bingo and traveling to Atlantic City. She liked to attend the Annabelle Shimkowitz Senior Citizens Center for many years. She also loved saltwater taffy, rock candy and was very particular about her collectibles.

She was honored by the Mayor of the City of Passaic, as a centurion on her 100th birthday. She received a birthday card from President Barack Obama.

She was a loving matriarch of a five generations, her life alone, reaching the age of 102 years, is a blessing in its self. Her example of living, and always being there for her family, is a testament of God, that if we keep him first and live right, your days can be prolonged.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

Scriptures Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection / Solo

Acknowledgements

Reflections of Life and Poem......Lynn Staton

Solo......Kimyet Waters

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Recessional

Interment

East Ridgelawn Cemetery Clifton, 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, Ah, 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.



Acknowledgements

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