



*Celebrating
the Life
Of*

Emma Zada Blackshear

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course.
I have kept the faith." ~ II Timothy 4:7*

Sunrise:

May 10, 1922

Sunset:

September 21, 2016

Service

Friday, September 30, 2016 ~ 11:00 am

Heard A.M.E. Church

310 East 8th Avenue

Roselle, NJ 07203

Rev. Archie Cummings, Jr., Pastor

Min. Leo Blackshear, Pastor

Life Reflections

Emma Zada Blackshear was born on May 10, 1922 in Dublin, Georgia, daughter of the late Bonnie and Catherine Clay. Emma attended public school in Laurens County, graduating in 1940. In 1942, Emma came to the North to live with her beloved aunt Queenie in Brooklyn. She met and married Shelly Blackshear and was blessed with seven children.

After the death of her husband in 1961, Emma worked in numerous homes as a Domestic Engineer and a neighborhood Babysitter. Emma, her brothers and sisters served faithfully during their youth at the family church, Strawberry A.M.E. Church in Dublin upon moving to Roselle, New Jersey. They affiliated themselves with Heard A.M.E. Church working tirelessly throughout the years to support the church.

Emma served on the Stewardess Board #2 for fifty years, attending Sunday school every Sunday as well as weeknight Bible study.

She always had a smile and a warm hello for those she met along the way. Emma, Lucille and Lendora were always together when you saw one; you looked around for the other two.

Her favorite saying, "God will make a way out of no way" still resonates in the ears of her children. Mom's favorite songs were, "O, I want to see Him," "Look upon His Face," "Soon and Very Soon" and "We are going to see the King."

She was preceded in death by her two brothers, James and Bennie Clay; sister, Willie Mae Fullwood; three children: George, Bonnie and Doris; and granddaughter, Shronda.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her two daughters: Gladys Blocker (Elder Harold) of Nashville, Tennessee, and Shirley of Roselle, New Jersey; three sons: Richard, Ronald and Min. Leo Blackshear (Karen); ten grandchildren: Haroldlyn Blocker, Nicole Haskins, Latasha Thomas, Lamont Thomas, Doreena Johnson, Brian Burns, Al Karriem, Khaliah, Tamica and Kiyah Blackshear; two sisters: Lucille Blackshear and Lendora Stafford both of Roselle, New Jersey; nineteen great-grandchildren; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, dear relatives and friends.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude.....Frances Thompson

Processional

The Hymn of Comfort.....“Blessed Assurance”

Prayer of Comfort.....Major Ernest Fullwood
Salvation Army

Scriptures.....Major Vanessa Fullwood

Old Testament: Psalm 16

New Testament: St. Johns 14:1-10

The Selection.....“O, I Want to See Him”

Words of Comfort

The Acknowledgement and Resolutions

The Obituary

The Hymn of Preparation.....“When Peace Like A River”

The Eulogy.....Min. Leo Blackshear, son

Recessional.....Soon and Very Soon”

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

*Immediately after the Interment, Family and Friends are invited
to return to the church for a Repast.*

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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Pallbearers

Family and Friends of **Emma Zada Blackshear**

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of **Emma Zada Blackshear** would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for the many thoughtful acts of kindness, support and concern extended to us during our time of bereavement.

Thank you and may God richly bless you.



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