

*Witness to the Resurrection*  
*of*  
*Helene Abernathy*

Sunrise: November 11, 1924 - Sunset: October 4, 2016



**Service:**

Tuesday, October 18, 2016 - 11:00 am

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Pastor Doris C. Peterson, Officiating*

## Obituary



**Helene H. Abernathy** was born on November 11, 1924.

Her husband, Irving E. Abernathy was the love of her life for fifty plus years until his death. Helene and Irving are now together again.

Helene was blessed with many friends and enjoyed many activities. Among her favorites was bowling. She was a member of two leagues until the age of eight-five. Helene traveled with her long time friend, Alice Walers on cruises and enjoyed life.

Helene is survived by her daughter Robin, her sister, Claudette Cyrus, and her husband Clarence.

Helene was a mother, wife and my best friend who will be loved and missed forever.

*Order of Service*

Prelude .....Mr. Richardson

Call to Worship

\*Hymn of Praise ..... “Blessed Assurance” Page 341

Scripture.....Elder Pauline Mathis

Prayer of Comfort

\*Hymn ..... “Amazing Grace” Page 280

Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary

\*Hymn ..... “How Great Thou Art” Page 467

Eulogy.....Pastor Doris C. Peterson

Recessional.....“Soon And Very Soon”

\*Those who can, please stand

**INTERMENT**

Fairmount Cemetery  
Newark, New Jersey

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.

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, to 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 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 hearts and peace to thee

God wanted me now; He set me free.



## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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