"Come Unto Me, All Ye That Labour and Are Heavy Laden, and I Will Give You Rest." Matthew 11:28

### Homegoing Service

For

# Sister Nathalie Pauline Shields



Sunrise: March 1, 1937 Sunset: December 16, 2016

Friday, December 23, 2016 11:00 am

**Elizabeth Church of God** 

401 Livingston Street Elizabeth, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. John H. Hall, Pastor -- Officiating

## <u>Reflections of Life</u>

**Nathalie Pauline Shields** was born on March 1, 1937 in the Bronx, New York, daughter of Nathalie Evelyn Gibbs Clark and Ralph Clark.

Raised in the Bronx, New York, she was educated in the Bronx Public School System. She graduated from high school at age 16 then earned a degree in Cosmetology. She went on to work at a hair salon for many years.

Nathalie met the love of her life, John Scott Shields and they were joined in holy matrimony. They began married life in Jersey City, New Jersey and later moved to Roselle, New Jersey. This union was blessed with 3 children, Jeffrey Lyles, Ralph Holden and Mericha Nathalie.

Nathalie had been employed by Western Electric Company in Kearny, New Jersey where she worked with her mother.

She attended Kean College in Union, New Jersey where she studied early childhood development. She became a Kindergarten Teachers Aide for the Roselle Board of Education and worked in the Roselle Public Schools.

She took a break from teaching to adopt 4 great nieces and 1 great nephew with her beloved husband, John.

She served as a Girl Scout Leader of Washington Rock Council, Troop 23.

Nathalie was an Evangelist and served on the Usher Board at the Elizabeth Church of God in Elizabeth, New Jersey. She also received accommodations for her service as a faithful member of the Church of God church. She was commended for Dedicated Service by the New Jersey State Sunday School in 1991, received a Certificate of Appreciation by the Elizabeth Church of God in 1992, awarded a Foundation Church Ministries Certificate by the Evangelical Training Association in 2002, received the Leadership in Church Ministries by the Evangelistic Christian Bible Institute in 2005, received an Outstanding Service Award by the New Jersey State Ushers in 2011, and received an Excellence Certificate for Friendship Enlistment Coordinator.

Nathalie Pauline Shields departed this life on Friday, December 16, 2016 at Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Union, New Jersey at the age of 79.

She was predeceased by her parents, Nathalie and Ralph Clark; her husband, John Scott Shields; siblings, Louise Fletcher, Eleanor Synder and Carey, Grant, Cornelius and Victor Clark; sisters-in-law, Edna Williamson, Mary Shields, Mericha Wilkerson, Shirley Clark and Edith Clark and brothers-in-law, George and Horace Shields, Donald Mills and Roosevelt Stinson.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, 8 children, Jeffrey Lyles Shields, Ralph Holden Shields, Mericha Nathalie Rasool and Denisha, Donnell, Donna, Shirley and Elizabeth Shields; a sister, Mamie; sisters-in-law, Eloise and Linda; daughters-in-law, Joyce and Sharon; a son-in-law, Mustafa Rasool; a brother-in-law, John Williamson; 15 grandchildren and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully, The Family

### Order Of Service

Prelude		Organist
Procession		Clergy and Family
Selection	Hymn # 346 - "What A	A Friend We Have In Jesus"
Scripture Readings Old Testament - Psalm New Testament - John		
Prayer of Comfort		Rev. Al Murkey
Choral Selection	Hymn # 612 –	"It Is Well With My Soul"
Acknowledgements		
Church Resolution		Sis. Valerie Chestnut
Reading of the Obituary		
Poem Tribute from G	reat Granddaughter	Ikeriah Mericha Shields
Choral Selection		"What A Fellowship"
The Eulogy		Rev. Dr. John H. Hall
Benediction		
Recessional		

#### **Interment**

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

#### G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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## Nathalie and John Together Again

As the sun begins to set
And the day comes to an end,
Precious memories of your life
We will cherish so deep within.
Your life was an inspiration
You touched so many lives,
And we're truly going to miss you
Through all the tears we cry.
But joy comes in the morning
Just to know you're at Heavenly rest,
With God and all His angels,
Because you were the very best.

#### <u>Pallbearers</u>

Family and Friends of Nathalie Pauline Shields

### Acknowledgement

The family of **Nathalie Shields** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers.

May God continue to righly bless you.

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Special Thanks to Cecily Clark, Nathalie's devoted niece who has tirelessly assisted with her care since she suffered a stroke 2 years ago.

