



In Loving Memory of
Carleen Cole

Sunrise: September 12, 1929

Sunset: December 22, 2016

Service:

Friday, December 30, 2016 - 11:00 am

CLAREMOUNT LAFAYETTE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Obituary

Carleen Paulette Taylor Cole was born in Hoboken New Jersey on September 12, 1929 to Katherine Mays Taylor and Aubrey Taylor. She had four brothers James Taylor, Author Taylor Aubrey Taylor and her twin Carl Taylor. One sister Muriel Taylor-Milburn. Carleen was born in Hoboken but moved to Jersey City at a young age and attended the old P.S.14 School as she used to say. Her husband Kenneth's family and her family grew up as friends. Kenneth was a little older than Carleen but he waited around until she became of legal age to ask her to marry him. They were married in From that Union they had eight children. Kenneth Jr. Gary, Marsha, Marcelene, Glenda, Andrea, Renee and Glenn. Carleen her husband Kenneth and her children were members of New Bethel Baptist Church here in Jersey City. As time went by, Carleen started searching for different ways to embrace her God. After many years of Soul Searching she joined the Abundant Joy Community Church under Rev. Ashley until she became ill.

Carleen had many jobs throughout her life helping to support her family. Hospitals, Factories, a Maid/Housekeeper Secretarial work and finally a Community Aide for the Board of Education of Jersey City. During her 30 years at the Board She worked at various schools P.S. # 5, P.S. # 34 and retired from Public School No. 17. She loved the work she did because it gave her a chance to do what she loved best, helping people. Carleen could always be found somewhere helping out. Even times when she was sick in the hospital her children and friends would come to see her and she would never be in her room because she was always somewhere helping someone else that she thought needed help more than she did.

Carleen decided she wanted to go back to school and enrolled in classes for Massage Therapy and worked as a Therapist while still working her job in the school system. She gave the best massages and the best part for her family was the fact that while she was studying to take the exam she needed to practice on them and the massages were free. Her grandson Mikal when he was little would come to his grandma's house take off his shoes and put his feet on his grandma's lap so she could rub his feet. He had it so bad that when he was in daycare he would sometimes take off his shoes. Maybe thinking he was going to get a foot rub. As Carleen's health was deteriorating she still tried to give you a massage if you asked.

Carleen will always be remembered for the quickness of her tongue and the wise saying that she doted out to all those who would seek her advice. Carleen's door was always open to anyone in need. Even when her children would hide people in their house as kids she wouldn't turn them away. She would let their parents know where they were and would keep them until they were ready to leave. If you don't have any place to stay go to the Miss Carleen's house she will let you stay. If you needed something to eat go to Miss Carleen's house she will feed you. Carleen always said you can't turn away someone who needed something to eat. And her children are the same way. Because her door was always open she became a Foster Parent to a family of five. Other children who were in the Foster System and needed to be placed in a short term situation found out about the kindness of Mrs. Cole and asked to be placed in her home.

Not only did she devote her time to people but she also was known on Astor Place for feeding the birds and the cats. She had two cats of her own. Cats would come from their own houses to taste the food that Carleen would provide. The one thing that everyone knows about Mrs. Carleen Paulette Taylor-Cole is that she loved her music and she could dance! She loved to dance. And she danced and sang until she couldn't anymore. Even to the end if you played music for her you could tell the expression on her face and the calmness of her body that she was dancing and singing in her mind. She would even try at the end to open her mouth and try to sing. David from the bible danced and when she gets to meet him she can just Dance with David all around heaven. Go on Miss Carleen Paulette Taylor Cole you go girl and just Dance, Dance, Dance!

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort .Pastor Gregg Curry

Scripture

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8 . Pastor Willie Keaton

New Testament - John: 14 1-6

Selection .Renee Walker

Obituary and Acknowledgements . Annette Jackson

Poem.Najee Trice

Tribute to Carleen .2 minutes (Please)

Selection.Renee Walker

Words of Comfort.Pastor Robin Hampton

Selection .Renee Walker

Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.

Remember the love
that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey

that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.

When you are
lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.

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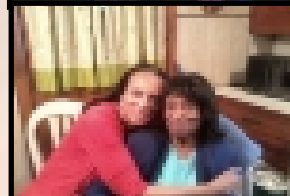
Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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