

Homegoing Service for

Mary L. Johnson-Cohen

Sunrise
April 13, 1940

Sunset
December 29, 2016

Service

Saturday, January 7, 2017 - 9:00 a.m.

Whigham Funeral Home

580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Newark, New Jersey

Grandma

*Grandma you've always showed
me how much you really care
You counseled me so very much when no one was there
It seemed as if you understood whenever my spirit was
low your words would always lift me up and help my
spirit grow. I guess that's why you're special for
understanding too.... And I guess that's why I'm very
blessed to have had a Grandma as wonderful as you.*

Her Grandson

Heaven Has A New Angel

*Heaven has a new angel
Your pain is gone
Your stay was short
Your memory will last forever*

*You've touched so many
Loved by all*

*There for us when we were about to fall
A whisper of an angel words will be
The glory of an angel your light shall be
Our new guardian angel you will be
Heaven has a new angel.*

Her Nephew

Obituary

Mary Louise Johnson-Cohen was born April 13, 1940 in Florence (Stewart County) Georgia to the late Joseph and Lucille Corner. She was the eighth child of twelve sisters and brothers, she was the baby girl. "Pootney" as she was called proved at a very early age that she was not afraid and would fight you if, she wanted to do so.

She attended Asbury Speight High School where she met and married the love of her life Deacon Freddie L. Johnson, Sr. to this union three children were born.

Mary relocated with her husband to Indiana and after a brief stay they decided to relocate to Newark, New Jersey. Mary worked various jobs including REMCO Toy Co. She then moved to East Orange, NJ and began to drive the school bus for Belair Transportation of Orange, NJ. She retired from Belair after driving the school bus for twenty-seven long years. Mary also worked as a Barmaid in various bars in Orange, East Orange and Newark.

She met and married Ernest Eugene Cohen. Mary loved people, she loved music and she really loved to dance. She had a way of making you feel loved and special and would always give you a hug and a kiss. Mary also loved to cook Southern food and she was an excellent

baker. Her homemade cakes specifically coconut pineapple, caramel, chocolate, sweet potato pie and peach cobbler would melt in your mouth. Mary's favorite scripture was Psalm 100 verse 1.

After a lengthy illness Mary departed this life on Thursday, December 29, 2016 at 4:10 p.m. in Manor Care Rehab Facility Mountainside, NJ.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Lucille Corner; her son, Freddie Jr., a daughter, Lynnette, five brothers, Joseph, Sam, Ulyssee, Lawrence, Mack and two sisters, Ruby Lee and Irene.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory: her only child a loving and dedicated daughter, Elfrieda Vonzell; her pride and joy her grandson, Taree; a very special granddaughter Tishuna Burke; four great grandchildren, Aanijah, Jaiden, Joel-Taree and Tamryn; two other adopted daughters, Regina Cash and Marjorie Moore; three sisters, Ida (Harvey) Hunter of Opa-Locka, FL, Georgia Ann (James deceased) of Miami, Florida; her devoted and loving sister, Marie (Hubert) Lynn of Lakewood, NJ and her baby brother, John (Peggy) Connor of Ocala, Florida; and her life long BFF, Shebra Pitt.

Mary was loved by many and will be missed, but God loved her best.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Invocation

Selection Organist

Special Prayer Hubert Lynn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Solo Marcia Sapp

Resolutions & Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary

Moments of Reflections (2 minute limit)

Solo Rev. Marcia Sapp

A Mother's Love Elfrieda Johnson

*Special Tribute Grandson
Great Grands*

Eulogy Rev. John W. Minittee Jr.

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery • Hillside, New Jersey

Repast

I.L.A.

*South 10th Street
Newark, NJ 07108*

Look For Me In Rainbows

*Time for me to go now, I won't say goodbye;
Look for me in the rainbows, way up in the sky.
In the morning sunrise when all the world is new,
Just look for me and love me, as you know I loved you.*

*Time for me to leave, I won't say goodbye;
Look for me in rainbows high up in the sky.
In the evening sunset, when all the world is through
Just look for me and love me, and I'll be close to you
It won't be forever, the day will come and then.*

*My loving arms will hold you, when we meet again.
Time for us to part now, we won't say goodbye;
Look for me in the rainbows, shining in the sky.
Every waking moment, and all your whole life through
Just look for me and love me, as you know I loved you.
Just wish me to be near you and I'll be there with you.*

Her Sister



Acknowledgements

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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