

In Loving Memory of
Mary Temple

Sunrise: November 29, 1950 - Sunset: January 22, 2017



Service:
Sunday, January 29, 2017 - 2:00 pm

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH
8 Isabella Avenue • Newark, New Jersey
Pastor Jeffrey Garland, Officiating

Obituary

Mary Joe Temple was born in Meridian, Mississippi on November 29, 1950 to the late Joe Frank and Loraine Temple. Mary Joe departed this life on January 22, 2017. She was preceded in death by her parents, companion of 38 years LaRue Booker Sr., daughter Jacqueline Denise Temple, sister Alice Lucille Lewis and brother Ben Temple.

Mary completed her education in New Jersey where she became a nurse in 1983. She began her nursing career at Hudson Manor, Secaucus, NJ. Mary was also the nurse for The Jersey City Recreational Summer program for disabled children where in 2001 she received a proclamation from the Mayor of Jersey City for her commitment and love of the children for volunteering to work the summer while on medical leave during a brief battle with cancer, which she won. Temple was a dedicated nurse until her illness in 2008 which forced early retirement.

Sis. Temple was a faithful member of Berean Baptist Church. There she used her beautiful and powerful voice on the choir, she was the member with the greatest song selection....let's just say that she and her shoulders were the headliner. When the time came that she couldn't stand to sing she would still sing loudly from the pew. She loved her church family with her whole heart. Coming to Berean was the highlight of her week.

Mary was a fighter, she fought long and hard to continue being a blessing to her children and a gift to her friends. Ms. Mary was not a fancy lady, but we all know her hair was always on fleek...lol...she had an incredible sense of humor, even in her last days she found a reason to joke and laugh. Ms. Mary touched the hearts of many especially with a pot of her good ole collard greens. That lady sure could cook!

Grand Mary was the cool grandma, "one of the girls" they called her, she talked to the children straight with no chaser. She had no problem letting you know that she had favorites so if you were lucky enough to make it on that list, you stayed there. They will tell you she was the most spoiled, most sassy, meanest, sweetest, and the funniest Grandma ever.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory her children, Sandra Temple, Marlon Temple Sr., LaRue Booker Jr. and LaShawanda Booker-Dillard; son-in-law, Trevor Dillard; grandchildren, Sarah, Diondra, Tyquanice, Teyrance, Daunte, Marlon Jr., Mariah, Alyssa, Keyyanna, Jiovahnnny and Jackson; great grandchildren, Amir, Harmony and Daunte; god daughter, Sha-Quana; siblings, Ruvinnie Moore; Joe Frank Temple, Jr.; Betty Temple; Willie Bell Temple; Eddie Temple; Robert Earl Temple; Margaret Temple; Ida Frances Temple, Inez Temple and a host of loved ones and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude..... Organist - Sis. Deloid Myles

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23 Gwendolyn Chambers

New Testament- 2 Timothy 4:7-8 Deacon Al Taylor

Prayer of Comfort Rev. W.H. Tolbert

Solo Sis. LaShawanda Booker-Dillard

Reading of Obituary Nyree Williamson

Selection “On Time God”

Expressions (limit 2 minutes)

Selection “Bound for Mount Zion”

Eulogy Pastor Dr. Jeffrey Garland

Selection “Walk Around Heaven”

Final Viewing

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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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