

*Celebration of Life for*



*Esther Adois Crump*

*Sunrise: March 14, 1941*  
*Sunset: January 25, 2017*

Service

*Thursday, February 2, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.*

**SALEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

2190 Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Blvd. • New York, NY

*The Reverend Dr. Marvin A. Moss - Senior Pastor, Officiating*  
*Beverly Lewis, Organist*

## Obituary

**Esther Adois Crump**, age 75, was born on March 14, 1941 to John Henry Coles and Esther Patterson Coles in Lenoir, North Carolina. Esther attended Freedman High School and migrated north to New York City shortly after graduating high school in 1959.

Soon after arriving in New York, Esther settled in Harlem where she met Carl Crump. Out of their union came three children, Melvin, Reginald, and Beverly.

Esther was a loving and compassionate woman. She worked as a home attendant for many years before retiring in the late 1990's.

She was a loyal and giving mother. She adored her children and was excited to welcome her five grandchildren, Sasha, Regina, Ashli, Serena, and Miles. Esther loved holidays and family gatherings. Her home just like her heart was always open to family, friends, and those in need. She spent countless hours cleaning and cooking to make her home a welcoming environment for those she loved dearly.

Esther was known for her feisty personality, love of music (especially James Brown), impeccable style, and her unfailing ability to always keep it real!

She was a devoted member of Salem United Methodist Church. She enjoyed fellowshiping and serving the Lord with other members of the congregation. Even in the later stages of her illness she remained steadfast in her love for God and made it a priority to get to church.

Esther was a tower of strength for her family, a pillar in her community and she will surely be missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by: her three children, Melvin Crump, Reginald Crump, and Beverly Graham; her sisters, Emma Jean Coles, Ruby McClean, Judy Hardy, and Jessie Keaton; her brother, Harold Coles, (and preceded in death by her brother, John Allen Coles). She also leaves behind her five grandchildren, Sasha, Regina, Ashli, Serena, and Miles; her great grandchild, Jeremiah; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family

# Order of Service

Prelude.....Organist  
"Total Praise"

Greeting.....Reverend Dr. Marvin A. Moss

Hymn of Celebration....."Soon and Very Soon"

## Scriptures

Old Testament - Psalm 61:1-4

New Testament - John 14:1-3

Prayer.....Reverend Dr. Marvin A. Moss

Celebration in Song....."Lord I Am Available".....Regina Clark

Reflections.....Jessie Keaton (Sister)  
Judy Hardy (Sister)  
Sasha Graham (Granddaughter)

Obituary (read in silence)

Celebration in Song....."Goin' Up Yonder".....Regina Clark

Eulogy.....Reverend Dr. Marvin A. Moss

Musical Reflections....."Center of My Joy"  
"I Will Trust in the Lord"  
"Oh, I Love Jesus", Organist

Acknowledgements.....Rev. Dr. Marvin A. Moss

The Committal.....Rev. Dr. Marvin A. Moss

Recessional Hymn....."Stairway to Heaven"

## Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

# *God Saw You Getting Tired*

*God saw you were getting tired  
and a cure was not meant to be.  
So He put his arms around you  
and whispered, "Come with Me."*

*With tearful eyes, we watched you suffer  
and saw you fade away.  
Although we love you dearly  
we could not make you stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating.  
Hard working hands laid to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of  
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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