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Sundice February 6, 1927 Sunsets February 28, 2017

## <u>Obituary</u>

#### "THE LIFE OF OUR QUEEN"

Our "Queen" Elizabeth Black graced her presence on this earth to the late Junious Caldwell and Lizzie Bowman Stukes on February 6, 1927 in Summerton, South Carolina.

Our "Queen" was united in holy matrimony to the late Milton Black of Manning, South Carolina. Her life was truly devoted, loving, caring and with many sacrifices on behalf of her family. Everyone who graced her presence loved her.

While in New York, our "Queen" sang on the choir at Zion Shiloh Baptist Church, under the late Rev. Pratt, in Brooklyn, NY. While living in New York City, she was a supervisor at Schraffts restaurant until her retirement.

After moving to Charleston, SC she joined Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church. She remained a member of this church until she moved back to Brooklyn, NY on April 30, 2014.

Our "Queen" finally got to enjoy her much awaited surprise birthday party on Saturday, February 4, 2017. The glow and beautiful smile on her face displayed it all. Everyone was happy to see the happiness in her eyes as she cried tears of joy. She spoke about her party for days to come. The best gift she received was her sister Liza Mae Odom in attendance.

On Tuesday, February 28, 2017, she got a call from her Father to come home. As I called her name, with a tear running down her face, she opened her eyes wide to let me know she was alright and she was going home to glory; to be with those that preceded her in death: her husband, Milton Black; father, Junious Caldwell; mother, Lizzie Bowman Stukes; sons, Thomas Edward Black, Milton Black, Jr. and Johnnie Lee (Moochie) Black; sisters, Eather Mae Gamble, Julia Lee Bosier and Agnus Thomas; brothers, Junious Caldwell, Jr. and John Henry Caldwell.

Our "Queen" Elizabeth Black leaves to cherish her memory and legacy: her children, Ethel Mae Parker (Raymond) of Charleston, SC, Joe D. Stukes (Elaine) of Marietta, GA, Olivia Watson (Richard, Sr., deceased) of Brooklyn, NY, Romalee (Gladys) Black of Brooklyn, NY, Michelle Black (Kareem Johnson) of Brooklyn, NY and Donald Black of Los Angeles, CA; two sisters, Liza Mae Odom of New York, NY and Mamie Bynum of Huntersville, NC; two brothers, Jessie (Timmie) Caldwell of Manning, SC and James Caldwell of Baltimore, MD; one brother-in-law, Euline Thomas of Paxville, SC; thirty-eight grandchildren; forty-nine great-grandchildren; thirty great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends; and two special friends, Mrs. Treadwell and Ms. Brunson of Charleston, SC.

Even though she loved all her grandchildren, our "Queen" had grandchildren whom she raised or was constantly by her side, Richard C. Watson, Emmanuel Black, Kamel T. Wingate, William T. Wingate, Randolph T. Johnson, Donald Black, Jr., Shawndreia Fulton, Tiffany Black, Adam L. Johnson, Tonya Osbia, Robin Denzell, Ebony McCain and Zachary Stukes; and one great grandson, Brandon Shaquan Black.

### <u>Service</u>

Monday, March 6, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

#### MT. OLLIE BAPTIST CHURCH

1698 St. Marks Avenue • Brooklyn, NY 11233 Rev. Rodney McFarland, Jr., Pastor Officiating/Eulogist

# Order of Service

Musical Prelude"I Trust You" (Recording)
Processional
Scriptures Old Testament - PsalmGranddaughters, Robin Denzell & Tonya Osbia New TestamentGrandson, Emmanuel Black
Prayer of ComfortEmmanuel Black
SelectionGreat-granddaughter/Great-grandson, Destiny Slater & Isiah Slate
PoemLeonard Thomas
ReflectionsGrandsons, William Wingate, Donald Black, Jr. & Thomas Black, Jr.
Remarks (Two Minutes Please)
AcknowledgementsGranddaughters, Sharon Armond & Ki-ara Truluck
ObituaryGranddaughter, Kamel Wingate
Musical Prelude (Silence)"He Has His Hands On You"
PoemDenise Thomas
EulogyReverend Rodney McFarland, Jr., Senior Pastor
Final Viewing
Benediction
Recessional



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I wasn't ready for this day, That you would go away and stay I tossed and turn in my sleep Until I just sat on my bed and weep I look towards your favorite chair And got disappointed because you're not there But in my heart I know you are near And God won't put no more on me than I can bare You served the Lord with all your heart Through death you will never part The Lord has you under his wing Now we can rejoice and sing As we say our final good byes We will wipe the tear from our eyes You lived to see ninety years old Now you're walking the streets paved in gold You have many children that were born And your legacy will live on We love you and you loved us too Your work down here is through I know this is not the end Rest on Dear Mother until we meet again

By Denise Thomas aka Nee-Nee

### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

A special acknowledgment and love goes out to the late Theasher Thomas Family. Phillip, Jeffrey, Kelvin, Leonard, Denise and Carolyn. Thank you for your love and support through our difficult times. We love and appreciate you!

To my cousin, Edith Thomas, thank you for guiding and helping me in the care of our Queen as you just went through the same thing for your Queen, my Aunt Agnus Thomas. I would not be able to know the things I know now without you. I love you very much!

The family also 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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