

A photograph of a woman with dark hair, wearing a white long-sleeved dress, standing next to a large, vibrant pink flower. The background is a soft, warm gradient of pink and orange.

*In Loving
Memory
of*

Mary Black

Sunrise: June 22, 1937

Sunset: April 2, 2017

Service

Monday, April 10, 2017 - 6:30 p.m.

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Obituary

Mary Alice Black was born on June 22, 1937 in Greenville, South Carolina. She was raised by Ms. Ruth. On April 2, 2017, Mary Black was called home.

In 1957, Mary Black gave birth to her first child, Karen Black. Later, Mary met the late Monroe Posey and she gave birth to Charles Posey. In 1961, she moved to New York, where she gave birth to Timothy Posey, the late John "Chewy" Posey, James Posey and Steven Posey.

She served the Lord for many years singing on the radio and tv choir and on the usher board of Salvation and Deliverance Church Ministries under the leadership of the late Apostle William Brown.

In 1986, Mary relocated to Detroit, Michigan where she pursued a career working at the airport for a few years. Mary later returned to New York in 1990, where she lived in Manhattan, New York and she begun managing the building 374 West 127th Street for many years.

Mary was a free spirit and a very hard worker. She also worked as a home attendant, caring for others. Mary was a loving person who loved to wear her Sunday's best. During her later years, she would sit on the stoop of her building during the summer time to enjoy the weather. If you knew Mary, you knew she was a strong-willed woman, who spoke her mind with a kind heart. She loved her family dearly and she would do anything for her children as well as her grandchildren. Everyone knew Ms. Black.

She leaves behind to cherish: one daughter, Karen Black; four sons, Charles Posey, James Posey, Timothy Posey and Steven Posey; two daughters-in-law, Donna Posey and Sandra Goldsmith; fifteen grandchildren, Damian Black, Pia Black, Amanda Black, Brandon Black, Takisha Crayton (Kyle Crayton, Sr.), Tikia Beckford (Roderick Beckford Sr.), Tykei Garner, Anastasia Stephenson, Suenora Carter, Jalen Posey, Nikki Posey, Nakia Posey, Jayshawn Posey, Jada Posey and Shamecca Burton; fourteen great grandchildren, Dayvon Black, Shamar Fraser, Justyn Garner, Tiyannah Black, Wendell Black, Roderick Beckford, Jr., Zadaya Whitaker, Zaniyah Saxton, Andre Crayton, Jr., Damian Black, Jr., Devonte Black, Darius Black, Diontay Black and DiMaurio Black; and two great great grandchildren, Kiana Black and Drue Black. She also leaves to cherish a special friend, someone more like one of her children, Lucy Garner.

Mary Black was a blessed woman!

2 Cor. 5:8

To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

*Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York*

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me.

I took his hand when I heard his call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work to play.

Task left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the end of the day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes these things too I 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 touched.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lifted up your heart and share me, God wanted me now, He set me free.

Janice M. Fair-Salters



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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