

A portrait of an elderly woman with short, wavy, light-colored hair, wearing glasses and a dark red top. The background of the portrait is a soft, out-of-focus blue and white floral pattern.

*A Celebration
of Life
for*

Lena Richards

May 25, 1938 – July 21, 2017

Saturday, July 29, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Canaan Baptist church

535 East 22nd Street, Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Barry Graham

Officiating

Ms. Lena Richards was born to the late Quincy Edward and Hattie Lee Sinclair on May 25, 1938 in St. Paul, North Carolina. She peacefully went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on July 21, 2017 at St. Joseph Hospital in Wayne, NJ.

She attended school in North Carolina and at the age of eleven, she moved to Washington, DC where she attended Spingarn High School. After graduating Spingarn High School, Ms. Richards moved to Bronx, NY and later to Paterson, NJ where she worked for many years at Modern Decorate as a Sales Associate. She was an Independent Environmental Service Associate, in addition to being a Caregiver within Ridgewood Township.

Ms. Richards was a pillar of the community. She resided in the Riverside Terrace Development community for over 35 years where she was awarded the “Grandmother of the Year” award. She was a long-standing member of Christ Temple Community Baptist Church. As a member, she served on the Nurses Ministry as a Nurses Aid and on the Missionary Ministry. Ms. Richards loved to bowl, playing bingo, going to Atlantic City and spending time with her family and friends.

Ms. Richards was preceded in death by her sisters, Katherine Jones and Mary Garrett; her son Donald Sinclair and daughter, Patricia McNeil. She leaves to cherish in her memories her son, Eric Richards; three granddaughters, Lena McNeil, Ericka McNeil, Erica Richards; one grandson, Patrick McNeil; daughter-in-law Lucy Melissa Perkins, six grandchildren, Troy, Jahkeem, DaShawn, Jeramiah, Jade and Elyce; three great-grandchildren, Illiyas, Josiah, and Jazelle; a sister, Edna Brady, a brother, Richard Sinclair; ex-husband, John Caddell; her best friend, Mary Hariott; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Ms. Richards’ lived her life by this Golden Rule, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”

Music Prelude

Invocation

Selection.....His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Psalm 23

New Testament.....1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

SelectionI Won't Complain

Reading of Acknowledgements & Obituary

Remarks Family & Friends
(Please limit your remarks to 2 minutes)

SelectionWalk Around Heaven All Day

Message of Comfort..... Rev. Barry Graham

Final Viewing.....Missing You

Recessional

Order of Service

Interment
St. Peter's Cemetery
Garfield, New Jersey

PALLBEARERS

- Thomas McNeil
- Theodore Brown
- Gerrard Booker
- Kyron Ford
- Rodney Staton
- David Wilder

Because You Loved Me

~Celine Dion

For all those times you stood by me
For all the truth that you made me see
For all the joy you brought to my life
For all the wrong that you made right
For every dream you made come true
For all the love I found in you
I would be forever thankful
You are the one who held me up
Never let me fall
You are the one who saw me through, through it all
You gave me wings and made me fly
You touched my hand I could touch the sky
I lost my faith, you gave it back to me
You said no star was out of reach
You stood by me and I stood tall
I had your love I had it all
I am grateful for each day you gave me
I was blessed because I was loved by you
You were always there for me
The tender wind that carried me
A light in the dark shining your love into my life
You have been my inspiration
Through the lies you were the truth
My world is a better place because of you
I am everything I am
Because you loved me

Love your Granddaughter
Ericka McNeil

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express sincere thanks to all who helped in anyway to ease their burden during the bereavement and acknowledges with sincere appreciation of many kind acts of care and concern.

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