



*Celebrating the Life*  
*of*  
*Ethel Margaret Porter*

**Sunrise**  
**November 5, 1931**

**Sunset**  
**April 17, 2020**

# Obituary

**Ethel Margaret Mills** was born on November 5, 1931 in New York City, to Victoria (Scott) Mills and William Mills, Sr. She was educated in the New York City public school system. She was the fifth child of six siblings, all preceding her in death. She transitioned from this life on Friday, April 17, 2020 at St. Patrick's Nursing Home.

Margaret raised Vickie, Karen and Clifford, as a single parent until she married Parker Porter in 1973. She shared in rearing Ronald (now deceased), Deborah, and Henry.

Margaret was a Home Health Aide for years, until she retired. She dedicated her life to Jesus Christ when she joined Calvary United Methodist Church 30 years ago. She was a loving, kind-hearted woman. She enjoyed sharing holidays and special times with family and friends. She was a blessing to all of us. Although her transition from this life was pleasing to God and acceptable to our spirits, a great void is felt in our lives.

Margaret leaves to cherish her memory: her children, Deborah, Henry, Victoria, Karen, and Clifford; one son-in-law, Edward; two daughters-in-law, Shirley and Felicia; seventeen grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; and nieces, nephews, grand nieces, grand nephews, cousins, and a host of friends.

## *2 Corinthians 5:1*

*“For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house made without hands, eternal in heaven.”*

## Her Favorite Hymn

### THE HYMN OF PRAISE: “BLESSED ASSURANCE”

Blessed assurance, Jesus in mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit,  
washed in His blood.

CHORUS: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all  
the day long. This is my story; This is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect Submission, perfect delight! Visions of rapture now burst on  
my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy  
whispers of love.

Perfection submission – all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and  
blessed; watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

**Margaret’s family will have a memorial service to celebrate her  
life at an undetermined date!**

*Interment*  
Long Island National Cemetery  
Farmingdale, New York

# *Togetherness*

*Death is nothing at all - I have only slipped away into the next room. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by my old familiar name, speak to me in the easy way which you always used. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be the household word it always was. Let it be spoken without effort. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was: there is absolutely unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of your mind because I am out of your sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well. Nothing is past: nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as before — only better, infinitely happier and forever we will all be one together with Christ.*

*-Author unknown*

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