In Loving Memory of

Anna L. Harden

"Weeza

Sunrise October 4, 1944 Sunset May 28, 2020

Saturday, June 6, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME 256 Rosa Parks Blvd., Paterson, New Jersey *Rev. Kortney Haigler, Officiating*

<u>Reflections of Life</u>

Anna L. (Alexander- Mason) Harden was born October 4, 1944 in Paterson, NJ. She was the 7th of 11 children born to the late James and Mable Alexander.

Anna who was affectionately nicknamed "Weeza" was educated in the Paterson Public School system. She attended and graduated from Public School No. 6 and Eastside High School. After graduating from high school, she enrolled into a business school. However, she became a dedicated employee at Duro Test Inc. in Clifton, NJ for 35 years until the company closed in 2000. She then decided to go back to school to learn data entry/computer work and received her certification at Software Sense Computer Learning Center in Totowa, NJ. She re-entered the workforce becoming an Activity Coordinator at Regency Garden's Nursing Center until she retired. At this time while sitting at home she realized that she had more love to give and became a child care provider and loved on many children until she said she was retired once again.

At a young age of 19, Anna married the love of her life, Douglas M. Mason and they were married for 9 years until his passing. Of this union, Anna bore 3 children; Zelma, Douglas and Trinice. Many years later at the age of 42 she fell in love once again and remarried Alvis Harden until she departed this realm.

Anna loved arts and crafts, sewing, shopping, traveling and spending time with family. She had this innate ability to always make people laugh. She was very loving and giving and always there with a helping hand and/or encouraging words or just to smile that big bright smile of hers. Because of her works, she leaves many extended children and grandchildren to cherish wonderful memories.

Anna was a member of the Union Baptist Church of Passaic, NJ. She was a member of the Fidelity Chapter No. 16, Paterson, NJ where she held many positions and titles but her most cherished position was when she served as the Worthy Matron 1996-1997 and Ms. Oziel 1993-1994 of the Oziel Grand Chaper, Order of the Eastern Star Prince Hall Affiliation of the Jurisdiction of New Jersey. She also was a member of the Daughter of Isis.

Anna peacefully transitioned from this earth on Thursday, May 28, 2020 in the comfort of her home for eternal rest. She was preceded in death by her parents James and Mable Alexander, two brothers; Stanley Alexander and Earl Alexander, three sisters E. Juanita Jones, Cora Currie-Smith and Jacqueline Alexander.

Anna leave everlasting memories with her husband Alvis, daughter Zelma (Charles) of Newark, NJ, son Douglas (Diana) of Paterson, NJ, daughter Trinice of Paterson, NJ, grandchildren; Rajahn Sr. (Shalove), Zakiyyah, Dimir, Al-Jahaad Sr, Myajah, Randez and DaQuonne of Paterson, NJ, four brothers; Gordon (Shirley) Alexander of Jonesboro, GA, John Alexander, Douglas Alexander both of Paterson, NJ and Randoph (Mildred) Alexander of Matthews, NC, one sister; Gloria (Wyatt) Blackmon of Lancaster, SC and a lifelong friend Sandra Beasley of Bloomfield, NJ. A host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She leaves behind a huge footprint of love and will be missed by so many.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

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Words of Comfort Rev. Kortney Haigler Union Baptist Church, Passaic, NJ

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park 234 Paramus Rd. Paramus, New Jersey

There's many people in this world of life some strive for happiness and others strife. Some live for joy and others pain some search for sunshine and others rain. For me there are many things the joy of life and live again. I have someone who helps me through and this is what I say to you.

I've known the good and seen the bad but you're the best damn sister a

man could have. You've helped me out in ways that's real you may not know but I can feel.

You look at me as brother strong although I do something's wrong. You give me strength to try my best and make me feel above the rest. A sister true, a sister dear wish you could've known how much I care My sister Anna, they call WE has done so much, so much for me. In life all moving atmosphere it's good to know someone still cares No matter where, no matter when I know on her I can depend.

She makes me laugh when tears are there she takes away my hidden fears.

She says oh no no not today and all my pain just drifts away. For others yes she does the same to try and ease an aching pain Although her heart has sorrow too she'll try to do her best for you. And though it seems all one way bound for that's the way it really sounds It's brothers love for a sister true that is why I write these things for you.

Acknowledgement

The family of the late Anna L. Harden "Weeza" wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our family during this our time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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