



*Celebrating The Life  
of*



If I can help somebody as I pass along,  
if I can cheer somebody with a word or song, if I can show  
somebody he's traveling wrong, then my living will not be in vain.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.***

## *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.*

***\*\*\*As per family's request, there will not be a repass\*\*\****

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# *Jerris Christmas*

Sunrise  
February 5, 1942

Sunset  
February 27, 2022

Service  
Monday, March 7, 2022 - 11:00 AM

**First Church of God In Christ**  
383 Yale Avenue • Hillside, NJ

# Order of Service

**Musical Prelude**

**Processional**

**Clergy and Family**

**Prayer of Comfort**  
Deacon Daryl Jackson

**Scripture Reading**  
Min. Jason Williams



**Selection**

**Congregational Song**

**Remarks (2 minutes please)**

**Acknowledgements of Cards/Obituary**  
Dist. Miss'y Gizelle Davis

**Selection**

**Congregational Song**

**Eulogy**  
Pastor Mark C. Jackson, Sr.

**Recessional**

**Interment**  
**Graceland Memorial Park**  
**Kenilworth, New Jersey**



**Jerris Christmas**, age 80, of Linden, New Jersey transitioned peacefully at home and gained her wings into heaven on February 27, 2022.

Born Jerris Vann on February 5, 1942 in Ty Ty, Georgia to Doris Brown. She was raised by her grandparents the late Reverend Robert Jackson and Missionary Martha Vann Jackson. She was raised in Newark, New Jersey, attended the Newark Public School system and was a graduate of Weequahic High School.

On December 8, 1980 She married the love of her life Thomas E. Christmas Sr. (preceded in death) and built a life together in Linden, New Jersey. Through the years Jerris held several jobs but, none more important than that of being a devoted loving wife and woman of God.

She took pride in caring for her husband and keeping a clean home. Jerris loved reading the word, doing crossword puzzles, playing games and above all helping others.

She was a saved woman and devout member of The First Church of God in Christ in Hillside, New Jersey where she held a position as the Vice President of The Women's Department.

Although she had no biological children of her own, she held the title of being a mom, grandmother and auntie to many. Jerris was known as a giver and would help anyone in need. She always stayed in the background, and never needed recognition. Knowing that whatever you do in the will of God is a blessing.

She leaves to mourn a host of family and friends.

