## **CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF**

Francine (McIver) Hart

Sunrise September 11, 1938 Sunset July 13, 2022

<u>Sunday, July 31, 2022 • 5:00 p.m.</u>

## Paterson First Seventh Day Adventist Church 343 11th Avenue • Paterson, New Jersey 07514 *Rev. Richard Campbell, Pastor Officiating*

Order of Service

Officiants -- Pastor Richard Campbell, Pastor Carl Hinds and Apostle Glenn McIver

Processional

Opening Hymn 86	"How Great Thou Art"
Scripture Readings Old Testament: Psalm 23 New Testament: 2 Timothy 4:6-8	
Prayer Of Comfort	
Musical Selection	Darla Hart
Acknowledgements / Reflections Of Life	Ora-Jane Bell
Musical Selection	eration For Christ Singers
Remarks (2 Minutes Please)	
Musical Selection	
Eulogy	Pastor Carl C. Hines
Closing Hymn 633 "When	n We All Get To Heaven"
Blanket Presentation	
Instructions For Final Viewing	

Recessional

<u>Repast</u> Immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall

<u>Interment</u> Tuesday, August 2, 2022 • 10:00 a.m. Arlington Cemetery 748 Schuyler Avenue Kearny, New Jersey

<u>Obituary</u>

At the blessed age of 83, **Francine (McIver) Hart** entered into rest on Wednesday, July 13, 2022. She departed this life in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

Francine was born in Darlington, South Carolina on September 11, 1938. She was the daughter of the late Frank McIver and Kizzell (Adams) Newell. She spent many loving years there with family members until she and her mother moved to Paterson, New Jersey in 1942. Here, Francine flourished further under the upbringing of her late uncle and aunt, Rev. Leroy and Bessie Jackson.

At four years old, Francine showed a great affinity and ability in playing the piano. This later revealed itself to be a God-given talent. Once she completed her formal education in the Paterson Public school system, she began doing domestic work. She followed her calling as a pianist by offering her services to many churches to support herself.

God blessed Francine when she and her truest love, Reginald Arthur Hart were wedded in 1959. They built a loving life together and they raised their five children: Luke, Joseph, Francine (Regina), Christina and Barak.

In 1974, Francine joined the First Seventh Day Adventist Church Paterson, under the leadership of Pastor John Williams. It was here that she found her true home in Christ and where she eventually became a mainstay in the parish as a their pianist. Through many years, she devoted her time accompanying all the choirs, groups and soloists who needed her help, including, but not limited to, her brother Thomas Newell, The Revelation Gospel Singers, The Gospel Choir, The Sanctuary Choir, Voices of Hope, The Children's Choir, and Generation for Christ Singers.

In 2014 she was honored for her faithfulness as a servant of God in service to the First Seventh-day Adventist Church of Paterson, then again in 2016, on behalf of the Ministry of Music.

During her free time she enjoyed watching murder mysteries and sitcoms such as Murder She Wrote, Matlock, The Andy Griffith Show, and Leave it to Beaver. Her favorite foods were orange sherbert ice cream, pound cake, Stella D'Oro Cookies, and bananas. She also loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She shared her love of gospel music with them and would often take them for rides in her van to church letting them listen to children's gospel music. They remember her encouraging them to go steadfastly after whatever they wanted to accomplish.

In addition to her husband Reginald Arthur Hart, she was preceded in death by her beloved mother and father Kizzell Newell and Frank McIver; daughter Christina, brothers: Richard and Thomas Newell; five sisters: Evelyn (Cornel) Joe, Carrie Mae Samuel, Lila Backus, Eva Mae Jackson, and Jacqueline (Alfonzo) Williams. She leaves to cherish many precious memories: her children Luke, Francine (Regina), Joseph, and Barak; brothers Americus (Bernadine) McIver, Benjamin Jr. (Charlotte) McIver, Joe L. (Cynthia) McIver, Michael (Shana) McIver, Elder Ray (Shirley) Foxe, Apostle Glenn McIver, and Jerry Newell; sisters Carolyn, Benzener, Vanessa, and Sharann (Rodney) Toatley; her cousin Sarah Kerr who loving cared for her during her illness; her sister-in-law, Annette Newell; daughters-in-law Rose Ann, and Dovina, six grandchildren Jessica, Ariana, Christopher, Darla, Anthony, Elizabeth, four great grandchildren, a host of cousins and nieces, and a church family grateful for her service.

She will be remembered for her kindness, faithfulness, patience, and love. May Heaven know the beauty of her soul and her music as we all have been.

Mather

A mother means so much to a child in need of love I thank you for being all of what I needed Beautiful like a morning dove A mother is always there when she's needed and can't be replaced That's who you are, and I will miss your smiling face My mother is someone who not only gave me life But she fought all my battles with me and my continued strife I am happy she's getting her rest She's given her best God saw my mother getting tired And she passed the test To return home Oh, what a blessed day Rejoicing for my mother's calling Although I wished she could stay But saying goodbye isn't forever I know I will see my mother again one day

Written by, Shannell G. Griggs

## Hcknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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