

A portrait of a woman with short, dark, curly hair, smiling warmly. She is wearing a patterned blue and white top with a necklace and earrings. The background is a deep blue with a subtle geometric pattern.

Celebration
of *Life*

Frances Wells


Sunrise
February 13, 1932

Sunset
October 7, 2022



Tuesday, October 18, 2022
12:00 Noon

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
198 Chadwick Avenue
Newark, New Jersey 07108
Vincent Rouse, Sr., Pastor

A decorative border of white, stylized floral and vine motifs framing the bottom and sides of the text.

Obituary

Frances Joan Wells was called home on October 7, 2022 at the remarkable age of 90 years old in Newark, NJ. Frances was the last child born to Ms. Reila Robinson of Columbia, South Carolina on February 13, 1932. After a brief time in South Carolina, Frances relocated to Newark, New Jersey. Frances would go on to call Newark her home for more than 80 years.

Frances married Emerson Avery Wells, Sr. on December 31, 1955. The young couple produced 5 children together. When Frances wasn't busy being a mother, she would spend her time organizing events for her social club members, spending time with her family and dear friend Pauleen, and taking trips. Frances loved being surrounded by love.

Frances was a hard-working independent woman. She was an amazing provider to her five children, as she worked for Service of America for over 10 years. Later, Frances would be employed by the city of Newark, NJ. Finally, retiring at the age of 84 years old.

Frances enjoyed the company of others and was an amazing cook. You could always go to Frances's house and enjoy a good meal. She would often brag that she bakes the best sweet potato pie you've ever tasted. Her grandkids would often joke and say she should've opened up her own restaurant.

Frances kept a strong faith in the Lord. She was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey for over 20 years. She would often dedicate her time to helping out the members of the church.

Frances is preceded by her mother, Reila Robinson, husband Emerson Avery Wells Sr, sons Emerson Avery Wells Jr, William 'Billy' Wells, and granddaughter Fatima Middlebrooks. She leaves behind her three daughters, Doretta Body, Francine Wells, and Lisha Williams. Grandchildren, Desarae Frances, Jason and Shaquille Body, Timothy Middlebrooks, Kyhia Williams, Layonni and Nyasia Rush. Five great granddaughters, three great grandsons, a host of nieces, nephews and dear friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of comfort

Musical Selection

Obituary

Acknowledgements

Reflections

(two minutes each)

Eulogy

Pastor Vincent M. Rouse

Benediction & Recessional

Final Rest

Glendale Cemetery
Bloomfield, New Jersey

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

-Author unknown



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