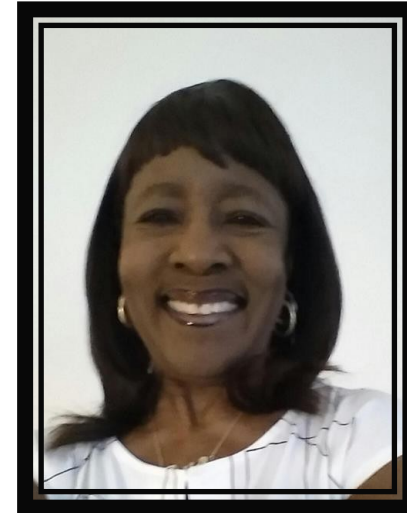




Honoring the Life of



JOSEPHINE WHITTAKER

SEPTEMBER 19, 1944-JANUARY 29, 2016

Saturday, February 6, 2016

11:00 am

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Temple

1307 Springwood Avenue

Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Rev. Gary E. Brandon, Pastor

Pastor Reginald L. Bellamy, Officiating
New Life Fellowship Baptist Church, Tinton Falls

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL	Family and Clergy
PRAYER OF COMFORT	Pastor Reginald L. Bellamy
SOLO	Erik Smith
HOLY SCRIPTURE	Pastor Reginald L. Bellamy
Old Testament	
New Testament	
SELECTION	Mrs. Graham & Family
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & OBITUARY	
SOLO	Erik Smith
WORDS OF REFLECTIONS (<i>2 minutes please</i>)	
SELECTION	Mrs. Graham & Family
EULOGY	Pastor Reginald L. Bellamy
RECESSIONAL	
	Interment
	Monmouth Memorial Park
	Tinton Falls, NJ

OBITUARY

Josephine Whittaker, was called to enter her eternal life on Friday, January 29, 2016. She was born on September 19, 1944 in Neptune, NJ. She was the 13th child of the late Norman and Elizabeth Johnson. She attended the public schools in Neptune and graduated from Neptune High School. In July of 1984, she met and later married Robert (Bob) Whittaker. They enjoyed many years of traveling together. They raised one son, Shawn Lamar Whittaker.

Josie later graduated from Union Technical Institute. She was employed for Meridian Health Systems as a Unit Secretary and Heart Monitor Technician. Reluctantly leaving all her friends, she retired in December 2014 after working for 44 years.

She was an active member of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church for many years. Later joining the family of New Life Baptist Church in Tinton Falls, NJ.

Josie's first passion was shopping. Her second her dedication and participation in the Elk's organization and traveling all over the United States with them. Josie joined Elizabeth Bunn Temple #677, Neptune NJ in 1989 serving in various positions. She was also a member of various houses within the Elks including Mary Hightower District Council serving as the Assistant Treasurer, The New Jersey State DOES serving as Doorkeeper and Gatekeeper. She received her highest degree in Elkdom becoming a Past Grand Daughter Ruler in New Orleans in August 1999. In November of 1999, she was crowned Queen of the Past Grand Daughter Ruler's Circle. Josie was also honorably assigned the position of Grand District Deputy Grand Daughter Ruler overseeing Phyllis Wheatley Temple #276 Red Bank, NJ for several years.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert Whittaker, brothers Norman (Buddy) Johnson, Winston Johnson, Frank Johnson, Jack Johnson, Harold Johnson and David Johnson, her sisters Vina Lee Staton and Marie Washington.

She leaves to cherish her most precious memories; her son Shawn Whittaker of Neptune, NJ, nine grandchildren, Dayshon, Abdullah, Ahmir, Elijah, Allajah, Ameer, Ahjane, Frederick and Teyonna Whittaker, two sisters, Lucy Davis of Lockport, New York and Davetta Warren (Richard) of Roosevelt, New York, two brothers, Clifford Aziz (Lillie) of Puyallup, Washington and Richard Johnson, of Tinton Falls., her friend and sister-in-Law, Helen Johnson of Brick, NJ, her special friend, Thomas Payne, a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Josie will surely be missed.

PALL BEARERS

Shawn Whittaker Dayshon Whittaker
Abdullah Whittaker Ahmir Whittaker
Elijah Whittaker

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

NJ Daughter of Elks
and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of Josephine Whittaker wishes to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation all who have helped to share with us in this time of sorrow.

Words cannot truly express our deep sense of gratitude for your prayers, condolences, words of comfort, cards, flowers and the rendering of all acts of kindness that have provided us with strength during our time of need.

The final care of our loved one has been entrusted to:

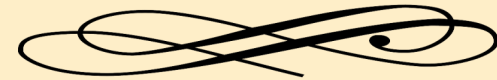
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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

JOSEPHINE WHITTAKER

September 19, 1944—January 29, 2016



“The Lord said,

Well done thy good and

faithful servant,

Thou hast been faithful

over a few things,

*I will make thee ruler over
many,*

*Enter into the joy of thy
Lord.”*

Matthew 25:23

“IF TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME”



If tomorrow starts without me and I'm not there to see
If the sun should rise and your eyes are filled with tears for me
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you have today
While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say
I know how much you loved me and how much I loved 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 as I turned to walk away, yes a tear fell from my eye
To this life down here on earth I had to say goodbye
I had so much unfinished and so much yet to do
It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you
I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had
If I could relive yesterday, I thought just for a while,
I'd say "see you later" and hug you just to see you smile
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 "I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last
And since each day's the same there's no longing for the past"
So if tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart
For every time you think of me, know I'm right here in your heart .