

### *After Glow*

I'd like the memory of me,  
To be a happy one.  
I'd like to leave an afterglow  
Of smiles, when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo,  
Whispering softly down the ways.  
Of happy times and laughing times,  
& bright and sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,  
To dry before the sun.  
Of happy memories that I leave behind  
When my life is done.

### *Pallbearers*

*Family & Friends*

### *Acknowledgements*

Our family wishes to express deepest appreciation and gratitude for all of your prayers, calls, cards, gifts and words of encouragement through this difficult time. We are truly blessed to have family and friends like you. We are grateful for all that you have done.

*-The Clark Family-*

Interment:

*Gates of Heaven Memorial Park Cemetery*  
Mt Royal, NJ 08061

Professional Services Entrusted To:

**Circle of Life Funeral Home**

**822-24 Kaighn Avenue**

**Camden, NJ 08103**

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# *In Loving Memory*



# *Grace M. Clark*

**Saturday, June 18, 2022**

Viewing 9:00-10:30am

Service 10:30am

***Macedonia Baptist Church***

***351 High Street***

***Westville, NJ 08093***



Precious Memories



Order of Service Celebration

Organic Prelude	
Processional	Clergy, Family
Prayer	Reverend Louis Barber
Hymn of Comfort	
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament	Psalms 23
New Testament	John 14: 1-3
Selection	
Acknowledgements	
Cards & Condolences	Debbie Rothmiller
Obituary Reading	Debbie Rothmiller
Remarks	2 Minutes Please
Family Reflections	Vincent Forchion, Jr
Selection	Karin Allen
Eulogy	Reverend Louis Barber
Benediction	
Recessional	Clergy, Family, Friends

Grandmother

Everything my grandmother did, it was something special made with love.  
She took the time to add the extra touch that said, “I love you very much”.  
She fixed hurts with a kiss & a smile,  
she told great stories Grandmother's style.  
It was always warm and cozy on her lap for secret telling or a nap.  
And when I said my prayers at night, I said I asked God to bless and hold  
her tight. Cause when it came to giving hugs,  
My Grandmothers arms were always filled with love.



## Loving Memories



## Grace's Life Story

**Grace Marie Clark** was born on February 27, 1931 in Deptford, NJ. She departed this life peacefully on June 11, 2022 surrounded by her loving family. She was the daughter of the late Paul H. Kersey and Josephine Cropper Kersey. She was raised in Jericho alongside her siblings Pauline, Doris, Josephine, Paul and Thomas. In their household they learned the true joys of farming and country living.

**Grace** received her education through Jericho School, Carpenter Street School and life. She was an avid learner of life and all of its joys through experience. She loved books and reading the Newspaper and didn't mind sharing all that she had acquired.

**At** the age of sixteen, Grace met James Allen Clark, the love of her life. They married on December 7, 1947. From this union they were blessed with seven beautiful children: Paulette, Lester, Stephen, Bruce, David, Frank, and Anita. Grace and Jimmy built their homestead with their own hands and raised their family in Jericho where their roots began.

**Throughout** Grace's life, she worked as a domestic housekeeper alongside her Mother. She also worked at Delmonte and as a Crossing Guard. She was a lively woman with a bigger than life personality. She truly trusted God for everything in her life. She would always say "I know that my Savior lives." Grace was a giver and sowed blessings into the lives of anyone in need. She used her hands to bless the community by keeping the streets clean. She was affectionately known by all as "Mom". She loved her street Kids, feeding the birds and squirrels, thrift store shopping and pushing her baby coach throughout the town.

**In** addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband James Allen Clark, Brother Thomas Kersey, Sister Josephine Tribbett, and her two beloved sons Stephen D. Clark and Lester J. Clark.

**Grace** leaves behind a tremendous legacy to honor and cherish her memory. Siblings: Pauline Walker (Woodbury), Doris Rogers (Deptford) and Paul Kersey (Deptford). Children: Paulette E. Allen (Woodbury), Bruce G. Clark (Sicklerville), David A. Clark (Vienna, VA), Frank K. Clark (Woodbury), Anita M. Clark (Woodbury) and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and special nurse/neighbor and friend Pat Paynter.



## Cherished Memories



## A Loving Tribute

Dear Grandmom Grace,

I love & miss you so very much right now. I can't believe you're gone. I'm waiting to wake up from what feels like a dream... I keep asking God 'why?' questioning my faith because I'm hurting...no comforting words are soothing to my soul, no helpful quotes or songs are healing...nothing will fill this void of not hearing your comforting voice or caring hug. There's nothing better or greater in life than knowing your Great Grandmother...the knowledge & wisdom is priceless. There was so much more I wanted to ask, so many more memories I wanted to make...The ones that I have will fill my heart with love & warmth. I already miss hearing you say 'Hey baby boop, hiw are you doing today?' or 'what you eating good?' I will never get over losing you! I will find ways to deal with them pain & heal myself. It rained so much this morning! At one point, I seen the clouds opened up & a ray of sun beamed through the clouds which let me know you made it through the gates of Heaven. You're going to be with your family members who preceeded before you. Legends of our family that are but never firgitten! This pain hurts like when I lost my Father... It's still a shock to me! I know I will get through this, my faith is in God. What's done is already part of the plan. Your memories & wisdom that you shared keep my head held high & your spirit alive. Be with me always, watch over & protect me, walk with me & please show me that you're still with me Grandmom. Singing " I will cross the ocean for you, I will go & bring you the moon, I will be your hero your strength, anything you need. I will be the sun in the sky, I will light your way for all times, I promise you... For you I will"

*I love you Grandmom Grace*

*Love your First Great Granddaughter Shaneaia Forchion*

*Carla Forchion*

