

Mother you're wearing angel wings tonight
Without you here with me, life will never feel quite right.

God blessed me with one of the best mothers on earth
You loved me unconditionally from the first day
of my birth.

I'm thankful for all the times, you held me in times
of despair. I could always depend on you,
with good advice to share.

Thank you for always being there for my daughter
and son. For showing them years of grandmother,
love, joy and fun.

Thank you for teaching me about life; to be kind and
caring through your acts of kindness,
you taught me about sharing.

Mother, I'm sad, but happy you're at peace on the other
side. That you're now in heaven, where God, friends and
family abide.

I will not say good bye because your love will remain
with me, safe within my heart until we meet again in
heaven for all eternity.

*From your loving children,
Kevin, Jamal, Tawana and Reggie*



Because you're always thought about in such
a special way because you always did so much to
brighten up each day.

And because you cared for others selflessly your
whole life through. I say a little prayer each day
especially for you.

That heaven will protect you and will somehow let you
know that Grandma you meant so much to me and that I
miss you so.

And that I'll think about you as I travel on life's way and
keep you safe within my heart forever and a day.

*Lovingly submitted from,
your grandchildren*



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Acknowledgements

*Words cannot adequately express the gratitude we have for
our family and friends who have consoled us during this time
of bereavement. Your presence, prayers, love, and many acts of
kindness have truly sustained us. Again, we say Thank You
and may God continue to bless you all.*

~The Family

Interment

*Bryant Memorial Gardens
2985 Mt. View Church Road
Moncure, NC 27559*

Professional Services Entrusted To:

Knott's Funeral Home

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Homegoing Celebration For Mrs. Josephine Simmons Headen

*Sunrise
November 11, 1943*

*Sunset
November 1, 2018*



**Tuesday, November 6, 2018
2:00 PM**

Mt. View A.M.E. Zion Church

**3538 Mt View Church Rd.
Moncure, NC 27559**

Rev. J. Cannon, Pastor

Order of Service

Musical Prelude.....“That Other Shore”

Processional

Opening Hymn.....Mt. View A.M.E. Zion Choir

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Rev. Ridie Headen

New Testament: Rev. George Headen

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Laura Headen

Solo..... “Take Me to King”Cheryl Cross

Acknowledgements &
Obituary.....Neasha Bryant Graves

Reflections: (limit to 2 minutes).....Family/Friends

Solo...“He Promised me a Home”.....Catina Thomas

Eulogy.....Rev. Perry Simmons Jr.

Recessional.....Let The Church Say Amen

"The Broken Chain"

We little knew that day,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

From your darling Raymond



Obituary

Josephine, affectionately known as Josie was born Nov 11, 1943 in Cairo, Georgia to her very proud parents Walter and Dollie Simmons, whom have both preceded her in death. Josephine and her parents moved to Bronx, NY when she was just 14 years old. Josephine attended Morris High School in the Bronx and graduated in 1962.

In 1964 Josephine met Charles R. Headen. After a very brief courtship, Charles knew that Josephine was going to be the woman he would spend the rest of his life with. Charles and Josephine married just 9 months after meeting. To this union they were blessed with four beautiful children.

Josephine was a very active member in her church. She was a devout usher, a member of the Senior choir, on the missionary Society and on the Deaconess Board at Mt. View AME Zion.

Josephine had a true passion for helping others and bringing her family together. She was always there to lend a hand or make some of her delicious meals and her unforgettable cakes. She will always be remembered for hosting The Fourth Of July Barbecues at the Homestead she loved to call "The thrill on the hill".

Josephine retired from New York City Department of Social Services. She and her husband were the proud owners of C& J Pants and "Thangs" in Bronx, NY and Fashions Unlimited in Hempstead, NY. In 1990 Josephine began working with Northshore Hospital Health System where she dedicated her time as a hard working floor secretary on her favorite Floor 5 Monti.

In 2005 Josephine retired and relocated to Moncure, NC to enjoy retirement with her husband. It was here where Josephine's life journey took a sudden end but the memories of her will live on forever in the hearts of her loved ones.

She is survived by her loving husband, Charles R Headen; her four loving children, Charles K. Headen (Adriana) of NY, Jamal Headen (Deysi) of NC, Tawana Mateo (Manuel) of NY, and Reginald Headen (Christine) of FL; her thirteen grandchildren: Khourie, Sharima, Reshawn, Priscilla, Asia, Kaylyl, Matthew, Aliyah, Kailey, Perla, Esmeralda, Alexander and Ariana; one great grandchild, Xiaa; two foster children, Violetta and Logan. She is also bereaved by her sister, Orangie Cochran (Charles); a brother, Walter Simmons (Bernitha); a sister-in-law, Hilaria Simmons and a host of nieces and nephews, relatives and friends.

