



To Those Whom I Love & Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.
I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.
So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.



Forever in our Hearts

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Celebration of Life



Mary BEATRICE EDMONDSON

Sunrise JUNE 25, 1937

Sunset MAY 31, 2020

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2020
CELEBRATION OF LIFE 11:00a.m.
Visitation 10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.

HENRY FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICES
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PASTOR ELDER LAWRENCE WALLS, *Officiating*
House of Peace Church

Life Reflections

On Sunday, May 31, 2020, our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and friend, **MARY BEATRICE EDMONDSON**, fulfilled her assignment here and entered into eternal rest while at Delmar Gardens North Nursing Home, St. Louis, Missouri.

MARY BEATRICE EDMONDSON was born June 25, 1937 in Stovall, Mississippi. She was the oldest daughter of Marie and Robert Townes. Her parents later moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where she lived for 82 years. **Mary** was a devout Christian, and was baptized at Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri. **Mary** was a faithful servant, believed in reading the bible and enjoyed singing in the choir.

Mary overcame multiple health challenges after having a massive stroke in 2006. For 82 years, we were blessed to have her with us. She openly shared her beliefs, values in working hard, being honest, and loving all who entered her space. She had a contagious laughter in which one could never forget.

She sacrificed an abundance of time and effort by working multiple jobs to create the best possible life for her family. **Mary** fought for civil liberties for minorities and participated in various equal rights marches and sit-ins.

Her education consisted of an Associate of Arts Degree in General Studies from Forest Park State Community College, Certified Nurse Assistant, and Certified Phlebotomist. She was an accomplished medical professional for over 50 years. **Mary** retired from the Veterans St. Louis Health Care System and Village North Nursing Home St. Louis, Missouri in 2006.

She leaves to cherish the many loving memories, her 6 children (Doris, Lawrence, Janet, Kevin, Sharon, and Veronica); 4 brothers (Robert, James, David, and Douglas); 17 grandchildren, 39 great grandchildren; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mary was preceded to Heaven by her mother (Marie Townes); father (Robert Townes); daughter (Arnita Walls); brothers (Sonny, Alan, Bruce, and Larry); sister (Amanda Townes); grandchildren (Lawrence, Michael Townes, Michael Walls, and Marquitta).

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

John 14:27 King James

Order of Service

Prelude

Prayer

Scripture Reading

Selection "Soon I Will Be Done"

DOROTHY WALLS

Acknowledgement
and Condolences

Remarks

MADISON BUTLER
JANET KELLEY

Life Reflections *(Read Silently)*

Musical Selection *(Soft Music)*

Eulogy

ELDER LAWRENCE WALLS
PASTOR, HOUSE OF PEACE CHURCH

Benediction

Interment

LAKE CHARLES PARK CEMETERY
7775 St. Charles Rock Rd., St. Louis, MO 63114

Pall Bearers

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