



Thelma Owens McQueen

August 12, 1921 - April 22, 2013

Mrs. Thelma Owens McQueen was the fourth of six children born to the late Jessie and Lillie Eutsey Owens in Branchville, South Carolina. Branchville is where she was raised and educated until her family relocated to Loris, South Carolina following the death of her father years later. It was in Loris, that she met her husband of years, the late Rufus C. McQueen. This union produced four children Unyolia (Robert) Coleman, Larry Donnell (Barbara) McQueen, Timothy (Lisa) McQueen, all of Columbia, South Carolina and Rufus Charles (Marlyn) McQueen of Atlanta, Georgia; fifteen grandchildren and twenty-three great grandchildren. She also helped to raise her niece, Brenda (Kerry) Martin, the daughter of her younger sister Ruth. Brenda was considered more of a daughter to Mrs. McQueen and a sister to her four children, than a niece or a cousin respectively.

Mrs. Thelma O. McQueen was a licensed cosmetologist/beautician who operated a chair in several salons before opening her own beauty shop adjacent to her home on Weldwood Court. She also worked as a private duty caregiver until the declining health of her husband led to her retirement. She was a faithful member of Jehovah Baptist Church, where she served as with the Missionary Society, Musical Choir, a Deaconess and served as the church secretary for many years.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. McQueen was preceded in death

by two sisters, Ruth Owens Beckwith of Queens, New York and Doshia Owens Shuler of Columbia, SC; one brother, Louis Owens of Roosevelt, New York; two brothers-in-law, Harvey Junior Page and Eddie Shuler, both of Columbia, SC; and one sister-in-law, Evator McQueen Nealey of Clarendon, North Carolina.

She leaves to cherish precious memories: four children and a special niece; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-three great grandchildren; one sister, Dora Owens Page of Columbia, South Carolina; one brother, Willie (Barbara) Owens of St. Albans, New York; one sister-in-law, Lillian Owens of Roosevelt, New York and a host of loving nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives and friends.

Services will be held 11:30 AM Saturday, April 27, 2013 at Jehovah Baptist Church, 1540 Frye Road, Columbia, South Carolina, with Pastor Stanley Marshall, Officiating.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thelma Owens McQueen*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Tim, Lisa, and the family please accept my prayers and condolences. May the comfort of the Holy Spirit be with you all now and forever more. Sincerely Tina, Nicolas, and Rainey Jones*

Tina M. Jones - April 27, 2013 at 08:37 AM



“ *Central Star Lodge # 18
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons*

St. Albans, New York 11412

*To the Illustrious Brother in Christ, Brother Willie Owens,
A man that is born of woman has but a few days on this earth and
full of trouble. Jesus came to prepare a place for us and where He
is we might be also. Your Sister Thelma McQueen is with the Lord;
let us strive to see Jesus for our self too.*

Brotherly Love,

Steven Brice, Worshipful Master

And

The Brothers of Central Star Lodge # 18

Central Star Lodge # 18 A.F and A. M. - April 27, 2013 at 08:03 AM

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“ *Most Worshipful Enoch Grand Lodge
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
State of New York.
423 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11216*

To Brother Willie Owens

All of the brothers are sadden by the lost of your sister, Thelma

*however, we pray that God will substain you just as you have
always*

*told others. Weeping will only endure for a night; just think about
that*

*great judgment day when you will see your love one again. As of
now*

*they have no more pains to bear or tears to shed. For their life on
this*

side is finished and the book has been sealed

Safe traveling our beloved ones

M. W. Vincent Perry 33' Grand Master

Enoch Grand Lodge A.F and A. M. - April 27, 2013 at 07:55 AM

CJ

“ From: Cartez and Betty Johnson,
TO: Willie and Barbara Owens and Family
Ref: Lost of your Sister/Sister In-law Thelma Owens McQueens
“I am the resurrection, and the life, he that believeth in me, though
he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth
in me shall never die.” John 11:25, 26

With Special Sympathy and Caring

*So many are thinking
about you today
And wanting to share
in your sorrow,
So many wish that
they know what to say
To help you face
each new tomorrow,
So many are sorry
and just want to help
With everything
you are going through,
Because at this time,
just as always,
So many care about you.*

God bless and keep all of you.

Humbly Servants and Christian Friends in Christ,

Cartez and Betty Johnson

Cartez and Betty Johnson - April 27, 2013 at 07:48 AM

JM

“ *New Hope Chapter #56 O.E.S.
Jamacia, N.Y.*

to Brother and Sister Owens

Words cannot describe the sympathy we are sending to you on this day in your time of bereavement. Just remember to look to the hills which cometh your help. May God continue to bless you and your family. With deepest sympathy the officers and members of New Hope Chapter # 56. Sister Deidre Davis Worthy, Brother Windell Anderson Worthy Patron Sister Judy Mealing Secretary

Judy Mealing - April 26, 2013 at 08:22 AM