



Mrs. Theresa McKeiver Cocklin

January 2, 1925 - June 27, 2013

Mrs. Theresa McKeiver Cocklin, affectionately known as "Rea, Aunt Rea and Grandma" departed this earthly life on June 17, 2013 at the Sumter Health and Rehabilitation West in Sumter, SC. She was born in Sumter County and was the wife of the late Abraham Cocklin and a daughter of the late Walter and Lucille McKeiver-Hills.

Mrs. Cocklin began her education in the public schools of Sumter County. She attended Lincoln High School, completed her studies at New York University and was a graduate of the Metropolitan School of Infant Care Nursing in Brooklyn, NY.

Mrs. Cocklin moved to Brooklyn, NY at an early age and resided there for fifty-two years before returning to her beloved home of Sumter. While in Brooklyn, she became a member of Brownsville Baptist Church. She was a faithful and active member serving in many capacities including; Sunday School Teacher, member of the Floral Club and sang on the Gospel Choir. She was a board member of the Democratic Party Elections Commission and was very active in community affairs. Mrs. Cocklin also owned and operated Theresa's Laundry in Brooklyn, NY. After retirement, she returned home and joined Salem Missionary Baptist Church where she was very active. Her favorite Bible verses were: Psalm 100 and 127 and her favorite song was "What A Friend We Have In Jesus".

When Mrs. Cocklin reaches that beautiful city in the sky, in addition to her parents, she will join her husband Abraham Cocklin, her four sisters, Irene

Brunson, Ruth McKeiver, Lucille McKeiver and Mabel Hill McKeiver and a brother, Abraham McKeiver.

Mrs. Cocklin leaves to cherish precious memories, two sisters, Mary Willingham of Sumter, SC, Delores Hills, and a brother, Willie McKeiver, both of Brooklyn, NY; a great-grandson and great-granddaughter; five stepchildren, Charles, Floretta, Clinnie, Robert and James; a very special niece, Mrs. Darlene Hagans of Sumter; a host of other nieces and nephews; a special friend of over fifty years, Mrs. Gwendolyn Lang, New Castle DE; a very dear and special friend, Mr. Rocky Witherspoon of Brooklyn, NY and Mrs. Louvenia Dinkins of Sumters. SC

Cemetery Details

Walker Cemetery

Oakland Ave
Sumter, SC 29150

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Theresa McKeiver Cocklin*

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