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Honorary Pall Bearers

Thomas DeGree Jr.

David Smith

Joseph Degree

Antonio Brown

Michael Degree

Yolonzol Green

Nathaniel DeGree

Eric Armstead

Glasco Rozier

Flower Bearers

Symone Armstead

Mary Degree

Demtria Degree

Jessica Degree

Michelle Degree

Raquel Green

Final Arrangements Entrusted to Brain K Lewis Funeral Home 2528 Bailey Avenue Buffalo, New York

The family repass at 333 Guilford Street

Thank You for your love and support during our time of bereavement. We ask you to continue to keep us in your prayers.

The Degree Family



Home Going Celebration

for

Mary Louise Degree Singletary

Beloved Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Niece and Friend Resting from her labor

Sunrise January 3, 1955 Sunset November 20, 2014



Services

Wake: 11:00 AM

Funeral: 12:00 PM

Saturday, December 6, 2014

Hopewell Baptist Church 1301 Fillmore Avenue Buffalo, N.Y. Pastor Dennis Lee Jr., Officiating

Obituary

Mary Louise Degree Singletary, (Louise) was born in Shelby, North Carolina on January 3, 1955. She was the 6th child born to the union of Jessie and Thomas Degree. She departed this life on Thursday November 20, 2014 at 9:15PM after a brief illness.

Louise moved, to Buffalo in the early 50's with her mother and 6 brothers, Robert, Freddie, Larry, Michael, Melvin and Marshall. Louise's mother passed away in 1965 and she and brother Marshall went to live with her Aunt Jenny and her family of 7 children David, Theresa, Beverly, Carol, Hazel, Deborah and Judy.

Louise was educated in the Buffalo Public School System, after graduating in 1973. She retired after 20 years of service at General Motor Tonawanda Plant. Louise enjoyed going to the casino, playing spades, pinochle and family gather. She was very outspoken and made the best apple pie. She also loved to do the dance the electric slide.

During her life she met James Beathley Sr. who is the biological father of James who is her only son, who she loves unconditionally. When he was approximately 9 months old Louise met LaMorris Elliot and the Mitchell family who accepted Louise and her son as another extended family which consist of Percy and Eloise, Percy Jr., Michael, Lee, Lewis, Vernessa and Deatrice.

Louise's life wouldn't be completed without her Grandchildren Jaymon, Jaquan ,Arianna, Jatalya, she loved them all equal and unconditionally.

Louise left so many to cherished her memories her son **James**, three grandchildren Jaquan, Arianna & Jatalya, brothers Robert, Marshall (Jackie) from Florida, Melvin two Aunts Jennie and Cleo (Charlotte NC, Oates family, Mitchell family, several nieces and nephews and many relatives and friends.

Proceeded in death by her mother, father, brothers Larry, Freddie, Michael, Grandson Jaymon, Nephew Robert, sister-n-law Juanita, extended sisters Theresa and Deatrice.

Louise is gone but not forgotten.

Order of Service

....and while she lied in peaceful sleep her memory we shall always keep

ProcessionalPulpit
Selection
Scriptures
Old TestamentPsalms 23: 1-6
New TestamentJohn 14: 1-6
Prayer of Comfort
Acknowledgement /Obituary
Remarks
SelectionArianna Beathle
SoloMichael Mitchell
EulogyPastor Dennis Lee Jr.
RecessionalChoir (I'll Fly Away)

