

Speak of me as you have always done.
Remember the good times, laughter, and fun.
Share the happy memories we have made.
Do not let them wither or fade.
I will be with you in the summer's sun
And when the winter's chill has come.
I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze.
I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.
I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,
But memories we've shared are yours to keep.
Sometimes our final days may be a test,
But remember me when I was at my best.
Although things may not be the same,
Don't be afraid to use my name.
Let your sorrow last for just a while.
Comfort each other and try to smile.
I've lived a life filled with joy and fun.
Live on now, make me proud
of what you will become.

## The Acknowledgment

We would like to express our appreciation for every act of kindness that has been expressed through calls, prayers, cards and beautiful flowers. Thank you for your love and support during this most difficult time.

The Family

Professional Services Entrusted to: Paul Lane Funeral Home, Inc., Linden, NJ

Home Soing Celebration

For Starks



**Sunxise** February 15, 1922

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 • 11:00 am.
The Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral of New York
Shekinah Youth Church
111-54 Merrick Boulevard
Jamaica, New York 11433

The Reverend Dr. Floyd H. Flake, Pastor The Reverend Dr. Elaine M. Flake, Co-Pastor

## The Obituary

**Dorothy D. Starks**, (born Dorothy D. Paull) was born on February 15th in the year of our LORD Nineteen hundred twenty-two to Helen Paull in Baltimore, Maryland. Dorothy was the twin of Jeanette and sister to Jimmy, Gladys, Zelma and Yountum.

She graduated from high school in Baltimore, Maryland before relocating to Schenetady, New York. She met and wed Freddie B. Starks, Sr., (preceded in death) in the 1940's. From that union she begot two children; Freddie B. Starks, Jr. and Barry A. Starks.

Later, Dorothy and Freddie bought a business that served the community of Jamaica, NY for many years by providing a market of fresh meats and groceries.

Dorothy later suffered a stroke in 1969 which limited her abilities. After recuperating, she devoted all of her free time to the original Allen A.M.E. Church and was blessed to see its expansion to the Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral of New York, where she was an Usher on Ladies Usher Board No. 2.

Dorothy always held high spirits even when caring for her ailing brother Jimmy as well as her son Freddie Jr. (preceded in death), July 30th 1996.

Dorothy loved GOD, family and friends as well as Bible readings, social functions, trips and enjoyed a good laugh. She also enjoyed celebrating Woman's Day. Dorothy loved and embraced everyone she encountered, leaving her mark upon them with her warm smile and open arms. No one was a stranger and everybody was a Sweetheart".

Dorothy departed her earthly life to be with her heavenly father on Tuesday, January 31st in the year of two thousand seventeen. She leaves to cherish her memories her son, Barry A. Starks, her Granddaughters, Naomi and Rukiya Starks her Great Granddaughters, Kaylah and Niylah Jones, her sisters, Jeanette and Gladys, her Nephews, Bobby and Brian, her Nieces, Janet and Kim as well as a host of other family, friends and loved ones. Lovingly submitted, The Family.



The Reverend Nichole L. Edness, Officiating

The Prelude Sis. Roxann McDade
The Processional
The Opening Hymn "Blessed Assurance"
The Prayer of Comfort
The Scripture Reading
Old Testament—Psalm 23 New Testament—John 14:1-7
The Selection Celebration of Life Choir
The Acknowledgment of Condolences
The Resolution
The Family TributeBarry Starks (Son)
The ObituaryNaomi Starks (Granddaughter)
The Selection Celebration of Life Choir
The Eulogy The Reverend Nichole L. Edness
The Moments of Meditation
The Closing Prayer
The Benediction
The Recessional When We All Get To Heaven
The Interment