

Celebrating the Life
Of

Virginia Tucker



Sunrise
August 7, 1939

Sunset
January 19, 2012

Saturday, January 28, 2012
10:00 a.m.

Ebenezer AME Church
253 Central Avenue, Rahway, NJ

Obituary

Virginia Tucker was born August 7, 1939 in Macon, Georgia, the youngest daughter of the late Mathew and Emma Corbin, Sr. On Thursday, January 19, 2012, Virginia peacefully entered into eternal life.

Virginia came to New Jersey in 1953 and graduated from Lincoln High School in Jersey City in 1958. On Valentine's Day in 1958, Virginia met the love of her life ~ Charles "Charlie" Lee Tucker. They were married on June 7, 1958 and their union was blessed with four beautiful daughters; Nina, Valerie, Dawn and Crystal.

Although Virginia was the youngest of eight children, she became the family matriarch. Virginia cherished the role of nurturing and encouraging her family members and making sure the family bond always remained strong.

Virginia's early employment included Metro Glass and RCA. After attending brokerage courses through Manpower, she joined the Margin Department of Merrill Lynch in 1973. Her career at Merrill Lynch spanned thirty five years with positions in New York City, Somerset, NJ and Hopewell, NJ until her retirement in 2008. After retirement, Virginia worked the polls for the Union County Board of Elections.

Throughout her life, Virginia was a willing and enthusiastic volunteer. When her daughters were young, she was a Brownie and Girl Scout Leader. As a Merrill Lynch employee, she enjoyed volunteering at Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen in New Brunswick, NJ. After retiring, Virginia volunteered at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Gift Shop in Rahway and at Food for Friends at Second Presbyterian Church of Rahway. She was also a volunteer usher at The Union County Performing Arts Center of Rahway.

Devoted and steadfast in her faith, Virginia was a longtime member of Ebenezer A.M.E. Church in Rahway. During those years, she served as a president of Stewardess Board A and as a member of the Steward Board. One of her greatest joys was coordinating, and serving residents of the Plainfield Shelter at the Plainfield YMCA with the members of Ebenezer for nearly thirty years. Virginia made sure that the meals were prepared and served to the residents as if they were dining in her own home – complete with table linens, flowers and a wide variety of delicious dishes and desserts. Her last visit was on November 21, 2011 and, as always, after greeting the residents she said "Thank you for allowing us to serve you." Virginia truly loved helping others and she richly blessed the lives of everyone she touched.

Virginia was a member of AARP Chapter 607 of Rahway and the Rahway Glad Red Hatters Society. Her hobbies included creating floral arrangements and crafts, doll making and all kinds of shopping! She enjoyed finding unique ornaments and decorating themed Christmas trees and even created a beautiful Valentine's "Sweetheart Tree."

As a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt and friend, Virginia fulfilled each role with great care. More than anything, she enjoyed spending precious time with her family and friends. She loved to cook and entertain, play board games, travel and enjoy the company and laughter of loved ones.

In addition to her parents, Virginia was predeceased by her husband, Charlie; two daughters, Dawn and Nina; a granddaughter, Nina Renée; two sisters, Millie Holloway and Edith Myers; and one brother, Mathew Corbin, Jr.

Beautiful memories will forever be cherished by her two daughters, Valerie Tucker Hendon and son-in-law, Eric of Edison, NJ and Crystal Tucker of Rahway, NJ; two sisters, Carrie Smothers of Akron, OH and Emma Hooper of Rahway, NJ; two brothers, George Corbin of Jersey City, NJ and Elbert Corbin (Mattie) of Richmond, VA; one uncle, Harding Corbin (Saletha) of Decatur, GA; one aunt, Maudie Salowitz of Bronx, NY; three

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**Spencer Funeral Home Chapel
Mount Airy, North Carolina
Tuesday, January 31, 2012**

Order of Service

**Reverend Willis M. Camp, III, Officiating
Pastor, St. Paul AME Church**

Processional and Viewing 10:00 a.m-11:00 a.m

Words of Comfort..... Reverend Willis M. Camp, III

Medley of Hymns..... Melva Houston Tucker

“How Great Thou Art”

“It Is Well With My Soul”

“Amazing Grace”

Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Emma Jean Tucker

**Musical Response..... Melva Houston Tucker
Congregation**

Old Testament

Psalms 23..... Daphne Smith Tucker

Isaiah 41: 9-10 Congregation

*I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I
called you. I said, ‘You are my servant’; I have chosen you and not
rejected you.*

*So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your
God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my
righteous right hand.*

New Testament..... Barbara Tucker Claytor

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Solo - "His Eye Is On the Sparrow" ... Melva Houston Tucker

Obituary..... Read Silently

Reflections..... Rosa Tucker Opoulos

Crystal Lynn Tucker

Valerie Tucker Hendon

Acknowledgements..... Angel Hatcher Gentry

Solo... "If I Can Help Somebody" Melva Houston Tucker

Eulogy..... Reverend Willis M. Camp, III

Recessional "I'll Fly Away"

Committal/Benediction Reverend Willis M. Camp, III

Interment Tucker Family Cemetery

Repast 105 Tucker Road

"Let me live in a house by the side of the
road and be a friend to man."

~Sam Walter Foss

*Virginia shared her love and
happiness with everyone she met. She lived in a house
by the side of the road and was truly a friend
to mankind.*

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sisters-in-law, Mae Alice Scales and Emma Jean Tucker, both of Mt. Airy, NC, and Rosa Elaine Opoulos (Robert) of Lewisville, NC; one brother-in-law, Jesse David Tucker (Daphne) of Mt. Airy, NC and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

Revelation 21:4

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL – HYMN....."COME WE THAT LOVE THE LORD".....CLERGY & FAMILY

OPENING HYMN....."I'M SO GLAD JESUS LIFTED ME"

PRAYER OF COMFORT

CHORAL RESPONSE

MUSICAL SELECTION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT.....PSALM 23

NEW TESTAMENT.....I CORINTHIANS 15:51-58 / 2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8

SILENT READING OF THE OBITUARY

REFLECTIONS.....FAMILY & FRIENDS

WORDS OF COMFORT

MUSICAL SELECTION

EULOGY

CLOSING HYMN....."HOLD TO GOD'S UNCHANGING HAND"

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL....."SOON AND VERY SOON"



Interment

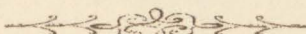
TUCKER FAMILY PLOT
MOUNT AIRY, NORTH CAROLINA

Callbearers

Nephew's

Floral Bearers

Niece's



A Christian Mother



A child's first glimpse of the Heavenly Father's Love,
Faithfulness and provision is the love,
Faithfulness and provision of an earthly mother.
A child's first whisper of the safety, security and
guidance

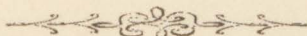
That the Heavenly Father offers is the safety, security
and guidance of an earthly mother.

A Christian mother communicates, by her words and
deeds,

Eternal Truths about God.

Thank you Mommy for being the kind of mother
Whose own abundant care for us reflected God's most
perfect care.

Lovingly Submitted,
Valerie and Crystal

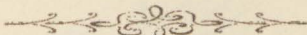


Acknowledgment

We, the Family of the late

Virginia Tucker

Wish to thank each of you for every expression of love and kindness extended to us during the illness and passing of our mother. The prayers for God to strengthen us, words of encouragement, beautiful floral tributes, cards and visits were a great source of comfort. We thank God for blessing us with such loving family members, friends and neighbors. May our Heavenly Father continue to shower his blessings upon each one of you.



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