



## ALWAYS THERE

*When you remember me, please do not weep;  
My body may not be there, it has chosen to sleep.  
I'm not that far away, my soul lives on;  
Looking down, watching over you and everyone.  
And when you feel sad and life seems so blue,  
just remember that my spirit has its arms around you.  
And on those special days, times that you wish I could see,  
that cool breeze flowing past you ... Well, that will be me.*

*So don't be sad, have no fear;*

*God has taken me under his wings, but I'll always be near.*

*I still watch you every minute, every day;  
My love and soul are with you,  
and that's where they will stay.*

*~ Emma Marie Etwell ~*

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Wilson family wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for the support, and prayers during this difficult time. The calls, texts, and profound outpouring of love, has been extremely meaningful and uplifting. Through our cherished memories, **ANNIE** will live on in our hearts forever. May we continue to celebrate her life by living with gratitude every single day that we have the ability to take a breath and share our lives with our loved ones.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Mrs. Annie Ruth Wilson

SUNRISE: JULY 31, 1925 ~ SUNSET: JULY 9, 2024



## *Homegoing Service*

SATURDAY JULY 20, 2024 AT 9:00 AM

**MOTHER AME ZION CHURCH**

140-6 WEST 137TH STREET • NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10030

**REV. DR. MALCOLM J. BYRD**, *Senior Pastor Presiding*

**CHRISTOPHER D. BRYANT**, *Organist*

*Interment*

**CALVERTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**  
CALVERTON, NEW YORK



## Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN .....No. 193 - "BECAUSE HE LIVES"

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON..... PSALM 121

SELECTION.....T.C. LEWIS, VIOLIN

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ..... 1 CORINTHIANS 15: 41-58

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SELECTION..... "I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS"

RESOLUTION ..... MOTHER A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

READING OF THE OBITUARY

WORDS OF COMFORT AND RECOLLECTION.....REV. DR. GREGORY R. SMITH, PASTOR, MT.  
*Hope A.M.E. Zion Church, White Plains, NY*

SELECTION....."REJOICE GREATLY, O DAUGHTER OF ZION"  
THE MESSIAH, G. F. HANDEL, MANNA JONES, SOLOIST

THE EULOGY .....REV. DR. MALCOLM J. BYRD

RITUAL OF COMMITAL

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN.....No. 550 - "ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND"

RECESSIONAL

## Obituary

In loving memory of **ANNIE R WILSON**, a dedicated professional, cherished mother, grandmother, mother-in-law, aunt, cousin and beloved friend. Annie R. Wilson passed away peacefully on July 9th, 2024, at the age of ninety-eight.

Born on July 31st, 1925, in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Annie R. Wilson was the daughter of Lula Austin and Robert C. Hancock. She pursued her passion for science as a 1947 graduate of North Carolina A&T College with a Bachelor of Sciences degree in biological sciences and graduate studies at NYU in biological sciences. Professionally for 41 years she worked as a Microbiologist and supervisor of the Hematology lab at Bellevue Hospital and taught laboratory techniques at the NYU medical school.

Throughout her professional journey Annie Wilson achieved numerous accomplishments and accolades, leaving a lasting impact on her colleagues and peers. Her commitment to excellence and her unwavering work ethic were admired by all who had the privilege of working with her.

Beyond her professional endeavors Annie Wilson was a devoted wife to Kelly Wilson Jr who predeceased her, mother to Kelly Wilson III, mother-in-law to Stephanie Wilson, grandmother to Kelly Wilson IV and aunt and cousin to many relatives. She instilled in her family the values of hard work, integrity, and kindness, serving as a role model and source of inspiration to her family.

In her personal life, Annie Wilson found joy singing in the Cathedral Choir of her Church Mother AME Zion for over 40 years. She was a seamstress and enjoyed sewing and knitting clothing for herself, family members and friends. She cherished spending time with her loved ones creating cherished memories that will be cherished forever.

A dedicated member to her church Annie Wilson found solace in her beliefs and drew strength from her faith community.

Please join us in honoring the life and memory of Annie R. Wilson as we reflect on the impact she made and the love she shared with those around her.

With heartfelt gratitude for your love and support during this challenging time.

Family of Annie Wilson

Lovingly submitted,  
The Family