



**BARBARA RUTH PETERSON**

**SERVICE  
OF RESURRECTION**

In honor of  
**The Lord Jesus Christ** and the  
Homegoing of his beloved daughter  
**MOTHER BARBARA RUTH PETERSON**

**PRELUDE**

**THE WORD OF GRACE**

The Elder Michael Brown, Sr.

**THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

Navanka Hepburn and Donavan Hepburn, Jr.

**GREETING**

The Rev. Debra A. Hepburn (Niece)

**HYMN**

"By and By When The Morning Comes"

**INVOCATION**

Pastor Don B. Griffin (Nephew)

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

The Everlasting God	<i>Isaiah 40:1-8, 28-31</i>	Elder Robert Kent
The Lord is Gracious and merciful	<i>Psalms 27</i>	Min. Deborah Brown
The Water of Life	<i>Revelation 21:1-7</i>	Elder Carl Brown
The Holy Gospel of the Lord	<i>Luke 24:13-35</i>	Pastor Don B. Griffin
Solo		Sister Bernice Greene

**SERMON**

The Elder Dr. Larry E. Lee (Nephew)  
Church of God by Faith, Hollywood, Florida

**OBITUARY, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, RESOLUTIONS**



## **LITANY OF JOY**

*Reflections of a Faithful Journey*

### ***I'm Moving On Up Zion's Hill***

Faith, Food, Family, Friends and Fun  
The Family and Special Guests

### ***I Don't Feel No Ways Tired***

The Elder Dr. Sherman L. Roberts  
Northeastern New York District Superintendent

### ***"If You Live Right Heaven Belongs To You"***

Sis. V. Joyce Kent (Special Daughter)

### ***Farther Along***

Pastor Michael Brown

## **COMMENDATION**

Rev. Hepburn

## **DISMISSAL**

## **POSTLUDE**

## **SERVICE OF COMMITAL**

Hayes Cemetery Easton

## **PALLBEARERS**

Mr. Michael Peterson, Sr.  
Mr. Donovan Hepburn, Sr.  
Deacon Arthur L. Lee  
Min. Donnie M. Lockhart

Mr. Dana Carter Peterson  
Mr. Damien L.H. Egeh  
Deacon Brian Cole  
Mr. Andre M. Bateman

## **FLORAL ATTENDANTS**

Ms. Beverly L. Lee  
Ms. Stacy R. Bateman  
Ms. Navanka Hepburn

Ms. Derrica Hanford  
Ms. Michelle Lockhart  
Sis. Annette Cole

## **LITURGIST**

The Rev. Debra A. Hepburn, M. Div.

## **OFFICIANTS**

The Elder Michael G. Brown, Sr.  
The Rev. Debra A. Hepburn, M.Div.

# **BARBARA RUTH PETERSON**

**JUNE 21, 1926-JUNE 6, 2008**

Barbara Ruth Peterson, 81, of Easton, passed away Friday, June 6, 2008, at home, two weeks shy of her 82nd birthday.

She was born June 21, 1926, in Lake Wales, FL, one of 10 sons and daughters of Daniel Adam Carter and Alice Elizabeth Rover Carter.

Family and the Church of God By Faith were the pillars of Mother Peterson's life. She was known as "Aunt Bobby" to several generations of nieces and nephews because of her ability to listen to problems, pray on the matter and provide comfort--and healing laughter--as needed. An avid reader and welcoming homemaker, she could hold her own discussing religious and secular events.

Raised in Belle Glade, Fla., Mother Peterson was a third-generation and lifelong member of the Church of God By Faith. In 1975, she and nieces Maureen Gray and Mary Lockhart, guided by the late Elder Theodore Brown and Elder E.P. Livingston and supported by many other faithfuls, realized the cherished dream of establishing a Church of God By Faith mission in Easton. Husband George Peterson received the Holy Ghost in May 1976 and served as Church Deacon until his death in 1994.

Mother Peterson is survived by son Dana and his children Jayden and Gianna; son Michael and children Michael, Dena and Julian; daughter Helen and son Damien; sister Bernice McGriff and her children in California; sister Helen Lee and her children the Lees in Florida and Hepburns in Pennsylvania; sister-niece Alice Faye Ellison and her children in Florida; special daughter Jacqueline Gilbert and her daughter Nicole; special daughter Patricia Ann Bateman and children Andre and Stacy; special daughter Shirlene Wilcher; special daughter Joyce and husband Elder Robert Kent; and numerous special nieces and nephews in the Carter, Ellison, James, Lockhart, Peoples and Peterson families; and the Church family.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband George; daughter-friend Alcetrena; infant son George Lynn; sisters Willie Mae Lockhart, Dorothy Bateman, Ida Belle Carter and Betty Carter; and brothers Augustus, Randolph and Ollie Eugene Carter.

Interment is in Hays Cemetery.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Your many acts of kindness during our time of bereavement are sincerely appreciated. Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless you richly.

*The Peterson Family*