

ORDER OF Service

PROCESSIONAL

"Trouble of the World"

Mahalia Jackson

FINAL VIEWING AND CLOSING OF THE BIER

HYMN

"Ave Maria"

(Traditional Version)

PRAYER

Reverend Gilbert Kinsey

SCRIPTURE

OLD TESTAMENT

NEW TESTAMENT

OBITUARY READING

Reverend Gilbert Kinsey

REMARKS (two minute limit)

WORDS OF COMFORT/ EULOGY

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SELECTION

"Take My Hand Precious Lord"

Mahalia Jackson

BURIAL

FORREST HILLS CEMETERY

25 Byberry Road

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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of day
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Ah yes, these things I too will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief
Lift up your heart and share with me
God wanted me now, He set me Free!



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MEMORY OF



Hazel
SULLIVAN

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Funeral Service

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023

Viewing 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Service 10:00 AM

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Hazel's STORY

Hazel was born May 8, 1927, the oldest of five children of Ernestine and Russell B. Anderson Sr. She was raised in North Philly, attended public schools, beginning in the Paul Lawrence Dunbar School in 1932 and graduating from the William Penn High School in January 1945.

During her formative years in addition to helping with her younger siblings, she also worked in the family small neighborhood store. She began collecting news items and photos of the social life at that time, cutting them out of the black newspapers sold in the store. She amassed quite of a collection of memorabilia, started scrapbooks, some still in existence! In addition, her hobbies were drawing, roller skating, she loved dancing and bowling.

In the summer of 1945, Hazel was a contestant in the first Miss Sepia Beauty Contest of Philadelphia, where she was a runner up.

During the 1940s and early 1950s, Hazel was a member of two very prominent social clubs, The Gay Charmers and The Royalties. They entertained with parties, dances, picnics, etc. and also performed civic work as well. In 1949, Hazel became a mother giving birth on March 16 to her first son, named him Glenn. His father, William D. Robinson (Billy) was much older than her but was her first real love.



In 1954, she met and married Thomas Edward Sullivan who became Glenn's father figure. Hazel and Tommy had a son Byron who was born on April 16, 1955. Sadly, this union was turbulent and would not be a lasting one.

Hazel was employed by The City of Philadelphia in May 1955. She retired in 1985 after serving as Clerk III Supervisor while with the City. While with the City, Hazel helped in the formation of a bowling league. Hazel became an avid bowler and amassed quite a collection of trophies.

In 1994, Hazel became a member of the "Philly's Forties", a group comprised of the social clubs of the 1940s era. They sponsored galas yearly reunions reminiscent of those wonderful times.

Now in her declining years, yet still full of life, Hazel joined The Center In The Park located in Germantown. It was and still is a great place for seniors to meet and enjoy various activities with friends of similar age and lifestyles. The center offered trips to the New York City theaters, visits to Atlantic City casinos, and last but not least fun filled cruises. It was a very happy time!

Hazel leaves in mourning: her devoted sons Glenn and Byron, her brother Herbert Anderson, her grandchildren Anderson, Corey, and Chelsea, 6 great grands, daughter-in-law Su Sullivan, and niece Charleen. Nephews Michael and Tommy, her brothers Russell and Charles; sister Dorothy preceded her in death.

