



### *Interment*

Woodlawn Cemetary and Chapel Mausoleum  
2130 Woodlawn Drive  
Woodlawn, Maryland  
(Immediately following Service)

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### *Active Pallbearers*

Family and Friends

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### *Acknowledgements*

The family of the late Margaret Ghee George gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during our hour of bereavement.

We extend sincere thanks and appreciation to Transformation Church and New Harvest Ministries for their generosity and labor of love that made this service possible.

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# *Celebration of Life*

*for*



## *Margaret Ghee George*

January 5, 1928 - October 4, 2006

*Wednesday, October 11, 2006*

Wake: 10:30 a.m. Funeral: 11:00 a.m.

In the Sanctuary of

*Transformation Church of Jesus Christ*

5150 Baltimore National Pike, Baltimore, Maryland

Bishop M. R. Saunders, Jr., D.Min., *Pastor*

Bishop M. R. Saunders, Sr., D.Min., *Founder*

*Officiating Pastor*

Elder Marcus A. Johnson, Sr.

New Harvest Ministries

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## Obituary

*"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."*  
*Excerpt from Proverbs 31*

**MARGARET GHEE GEORGE**, born January 5, 1928, departed this life to be with the Lord after a brief illness Wednesday, October 4, 2006 from Manor Care Health Center in Catonsville, Maryland.

A native Baltimorean, Margaret was the oldest child of the late Gene and Louise. She was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System, and graduated from Banneker High, in Catonsville. After completing high school, Margaret was employed as a domestic worker for several households. Margaret was a woman of integrity and for more than 35 years she worked for two generations of the Gillett Family. At the time of her death, she was employed on a part-time basis by Mr. Charles Gillett. She spoke fondly of her love for this family and always felt that they had her best interest at heart.

Margaret, and her only brother Clarence, were both committed to caring for their grandmother and mother during their lengthy illnesses. Like a good disciple of Christ, Margaret made a conscious decision to delay personal gratification and to focus in on the ministry of caring for her loved ones. She displayed a God-given ability to provide care that was both tender and nurturing. As she continued serving them with love and diligence, the Lord rewarded her faithfulness, and on September 6, 1980, she married the love of her life, the late Deacon Henry George. This union stands as a wonderful example of the Scripture in Psalms 37:4, *"Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart."* The relationship between Deacon George and Margaret was special, and everyone knew that they were very much in love. Though this union did not produce biological children, many spiritual sons and daughters were birthed as a result of their love for God and His people. Margaret's devotion to her husband was not limited to times of happiness and good health, but her love was also exemplified by the care she provided him during his lengthy illness. This union lasted 26 years, until the Lord called Deacon George from labor to reward.

Margaret accepted the Lord Jesus Christ at a young age. She was wholeheartedly committed to the things of God, desiring to please Him in every way. Understanding the need for a spiritual covering, she joined the Rehoboth Church of God in Christ under the leadership of the late Elder Randolph A. Carr in 1948. She sang on the Youth and Sanctuary Choirs, and the Choral Ensemble. In 1965, Margaret joined First United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic) founded and pastored by Bishop Monroe R. Saunders, Sr. While at First United, she was a faithful member of The Women's, Sanctuary, and Praise Choirs. She also sang on the Missionary, Mass, Bishop's Choir, and Choral Ensemble. While Margaret served faithfully in many ministries, she is especially remembered for her love of music and the level of commitment she displayed before her fellow choir members and directors. If there was a church choir, old or new, you could count on the fact that Margaret Ghee George was going to be a member, and that nothing short of ill health was going to stop this determined woman from using her gifts and talents for the glory of God! This passion for music resulted in numerous awards and the recording of an album entitled "Bless This House and Other Favorites." Some of her favorite directors include: Deacon Elmer Pace, the late Monzella Saunders, Esther Faulkner, Jacqueline Johnson, Tim Carpenter, Gloria Street Dennis, William Cummings, Sr. and Thaddeus Price.

On February 9, 2000, Margaret became a member of New Harvest Ministries under the leadership of Pastor Marcus A. Johnson, Sr. She sang on the Combined Choir for 2 years until recognizing that her responsibilities as a church mother, altar worker, and intercessory prayer warrior needed her undivided attention. She continued her spiritual walk at New Harvest until illness prevented her from attending as regularly as she desired.

Margaret enjoyed life and helping those who were not able to help themselves. There was no task too menial for her. She received fulfillment from visiting the sick and transporting seniors to and from their doctor's visits. During the first of each month, it was not uncommon for her to help the older saints with their grocery shopping and other errands. Margaret's hobbies included crocheting, knitting, spending quality time with family, and traveling. She will always be remembered for providing care for others, sharing her resources, and loving people.

As we reflect over the life and passing of our dear Margaret, there is no doubt in our hearts that she now occupies her rightful place on the Heavenly Choir.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her loving brother, Clarence Ghee (Nora); her aunt, Frances Costley; her uncle, Claborne Ghee; four daughters, Barbara Ann Thomas, Patricia Woodward (Alvin), Vera Williams (Charlton), and Terry Taylor; eleven grandchildren, Donald McDuffie, Jermell Barnes (Kendra), Christopher Woodward, Richard Johnson (Salome), Sarita Woodward, Asena Johnson, Ryan Woodward, Marc Taylor, and Terrance Taylor; brother-in-law, King George; five sisters-in-law, Lena Mae Gibson, Anna Towens, Louise George, Annie George, and Marie Small (Florence, SC); two goddaughters, Brittany Sparrows and Sheila McDavid; and a host of other relatives and friends.

### SOMETIMES

*Sometimes it's hard to understand  
Why some things have to be,  
But in His wisdom God has planned  
Beyond our power to see.  
God watched you as you suffered  
And knew you had your share,  
He gently closed your loving eyes  
And took you in His care.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death we love you still  
And in our hearts you hold a place  
That no one else can fill.  
Thanks to God, we have our memories  
To cherish our whole life through,  
And the sweetness will linger forever  
As we treasure the image of you.*

*Lovingly submitted,  
The Family*

## Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN ..... *"Blessed Assurance"*

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING  
Old Testament – Psalms 90:1-12  
New Testament – I Corinthians 15:51-58

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WORDS OF COMFORT *(Please limit remarks to 2 minutes)*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

OBITUARY READING

SERMONIC SELECTION

EULOGY ..... Pastor Marcus A. Johnson, Sr.  
*New Harvest Ministries*

BENEDICTION ..... Pastor Marcus A. Johnson, Sr.

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