



## *Pallbearers*

Masonic Family

## *Flower Attendants*

Family Members and Friends

## *Acknowledgement*

Our sincere thanks to our many family members and friends, for every act of kindness, support, sympathy and your prayers during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness has meant so much to us. May God bless each of you!

~The Family

## *A Poem From Your Grandchildren*

The moment that you died our heart was torn in two, one side filled with heartache, the other died with you. We often lie awake at night, when the world is fast asleep, and take a walk down memory lane, with tears upon our cheeks. Remembering you is easy, we do it every day, but missing you is a heartache that never goes away. We hold you tightly within our heart and there you will remain. Until the joyous day arrives, that we will meet again.

~Love you always~  
Your Grandchildren

### *Arrangements in Care of:*



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# *A Celebration of Life for Carrie Mae Ephron-Thomas*



*Sunrise*

December 10, 1948

*Sunset*

October 27, 2019

*Service*

11:00 AM, Saturday, November 9, 2019

*Philippian Community Church*  
**Bishop Virgil Jones, Sr.**

7578 New Kings Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32219



# The Life Carrie Mae Ephron-Thomas

*Carrie* was born December 10, 1948 to Willie Ephron and Carrie Mae Ephron in Jacksonville, Florida. She attended and received her education at William M. Raines High School and Florida State College. Carrie confessed Christ at an early age and was a member of Mt. Ararat Baptist Church. She married Nathaniel Thomas on January 23, 1970 and to this union two sons, Nathan and Joseph; one daughter, Karen was born.

*Carrie* departed this life Sunday, October 27, 2019. She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie and Carrie Mae Ephron; six brothers, Milton, James, Leonard, Archie, Willie and Freddie Ephron; three sisters, Lelia Mae Corey, Willie Mae Corey and Sylvia Howard.

*Carrie* leaves to cherish her memories: husband, Nathaniel Thomas; sons, Nathan Thomas (Clander) and Joseph Thomas; daughter, Karen Monts (Latane); 16 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; six sisters, Dorothy Kohn, Rosemary Woods, Jeanetta Hooper, Blanche Ephron, Brenda McCormick, Pam Ephron, a host of other relatives and friends.

## *"A Flower Made From Love & Honey"*

Chosen from birth to bare her mother's name; not knowing that this would be her strength and also bring her pain. She wasn't the first drop of Honey because Big Honey had already passed, so this little drop of honey had to strengthen and grow fast. Honey's brother's and sister's before her help paved the way, so that Honey could become the flower that brightened everyone's day. Fighting through pain and disappointment was just her way; she would win every battle by saying "Why worry when you can pray" these exact same words also made her sing.... With each new day her morning glory had to start; the songs she use to sing still linger in in my heart. All the children at her school knew that the candy lady was Heaven sent; everyone else knew that Honey said everything that she meant. "I need a diet coke and a cigarette" were all the words she had to say; no one's greens or fried fish tasted better at the end of the day.... My mother lived her life in the open with no regrets or shame; her cooking days are over now and so is her pain. Honey only valued things that were sent from above; this is what made her smile and built from love....

To My Lil-Honey, Carrie Mae Ephron-Thomas  
~Love always, your Son~  
Nate

## *Order of Service*

Bishop Trey Wright, Presiding

### Processional

Prayer ..... Pastor Lorenzo Jennings

### Scripture:

Old Testament ..... Elder Charles Johnson

New Testament ..... Elder Gary Stubbs

Selection ..... Te'Quanna Walker

*"To Close To The Mirror"*

Remarks ..... (*Two Minutes Please*)

Maralouise Snyder

Gloria Peterson

Mozell Scarlett

Obituary ..... (*Read Silently*)

Acknowledgements ..... Porsche Thomas

Selection ..... Jean Stone

*"Homegoing"*

Words of Comfort ..... Pastor Virgil Jones, Jr.

### Recessional

## *Interment*

9:30 AM, Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Jacksonville National Cemetery

4083 Lannie Road

Jacksonville, Florida 32218

## *Repast*

Morris Manor

9050 Norfolk Blvd., Jacksonville, Florida 32208