

*A Service of Memory
Celebrating the Life
of*



Phyllis Wheatley Cobb

~July 3, 1920 -April 21,2008~

Saturday, April 26, 2008

*10:00 a.m. Memorial Service
Presentation Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church
19760 Meyers Road—Detroit, Michigan 48221*

*Officiating Clergy
Fr. Tyrone Robinson*

Words of Reflection~

Phyllis Wheatley Cobb, was born on July 3, 1920, in Detroit, Michigan to the union of George P. Cobb and Nannie Lee Gentry. She was eldest of 3 children. She was baptized at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. Her education was in the Detroit Public Schools where she graduated from Chadsey High School in 1938. After graduation, she attended Detroit Institute of Commerce where she received a certificate in secretarial studies.

In 1942 she began working with the Department of the Navy in Detroit as an inspector. She supervised 15 women while performing an outstanding job and received three promotions during her tenure there. Phyllis worked at the Veterans Administration Regional Office for 15 years from 1950 through 1966 where she held various positions.. In 1966 she joined the ranks of the Internal Revenue Service Data Center. While working there she received such awards as Sustained Superior Performance, Special Act and numerous letters of appreciation. She retired in 1982. She was a devoted Detroit resident evidenced by her living on Pennington Drive for over forty years.

After retirement, Phyllis enjoyed various hobbies including gardening, playing and teaching piano to young children including her great nieces and nephews. She regularly played the organ at the church as well as special events. Her first loves were music and her family. She loved talking about and being with her family. She enjoyed reading and listening to Minister Joel Olsten. Holiday dinners always included her special apple nut salad and homemade ice cream, and showering the family with her melodies of music.


Phyllis was very involved with the Huguley Family reunion serving as the family historian, branch treasurer. She attended numerous family reunions until her health began to fail.

Phyllis believed in being a Christian in both word and deed. As a devout Catholic, she diligently gave of her time and services to her church serving as the organist for Presentation/Our Lady of Victory where she was a member for over forty years.


Even though Phyllis was the eldest, her brothers Dumas & Lillord preceded her in death. Their wives, Emma and Dovie Mae also deceased, were more than sisters-in-law to her. She shared a special sisterly bond with them.

On April 21, 2008, Phyllis departed this life to join her Savior. She leaves to cherish her memory, several nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews and other relatives and friends.

~Order of Service~



Processional.....	"Lead Me Guide Me"
Greeting.....	Fr. Tyrone Robinson
Opening Hymn.....	"Blessed Assurance"
Opening Prayer.....	Fr. Tyrone Robinson
1st Reading.....	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18..... Roger Cobb
Responsorial Song.....	pg 529
2nd Reading.....	John 14: 1-4.....Brittani Heath
Gospel.....	Fr. Tyrone Robinson
Homily.....	Fr. Tyrone Robinson
General Intercessions.....	Dr. Marcus Cobb
Presentation of Gifts.....	"Open my Eyes Lord" Great nieces and nephews
Eucharistic Prayer.....	
Lord's Prayer.....	Congregation
Sign of Peace.....	
Communion.....	"You are Near".....
Meditation Song.....	Mary Murant
Obituary.....	Dr. Linda Cobb - McClain
Closing Prayer.....	
Recessional Song.....	"We've Come this far by Faith"



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 his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the end of the 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 too I 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.

Author: Unknown

It was Phyllis Wheatley Cobb's wish that her body be donated to Wayne State University for research. The Cobb family wishes to thank you all for the support and prayers you have given us during this time.