



## Sarah Ann Shockley

September 3, 1915 - November 23, 2012

Sarah Ann Macklin-Shockley, the daughter of the late Charles Macklin and Gertrude Neal-Macklin-Davis was born September 3, 1915 in Lincoln, Delaware. She departed this earthly life Friday, November 23, 2012 at Bay Health Medical Center in Milford, DE. surrounded by her beloved family, as they sang the songs of Zion. She was 97 years, 2 months and 20 days old. She was the fourth oldest of 6 children.

Sarah was educated in the Lincoln School District. As a youth she was raised a member of Siloam A.M. E. Church. At the age of 19, she met and married the late Bishop David H. Shockley. To this union they had 12 children. After being married a few years, her husband became a minister, then founded and erected The Welcome Full Gospel Church in Lincoln, DE. Mother Sarah Shockley joined him, and for many years, they pastored and worked side by side holding down several jobs to support the family and the ministry. Such jobs included, but not limited to: owning and building, along with their children, Shockley's One Stop Center, which included a grocery store, gas station, restaurant and apartments. Under their ministry grew many members, and ministers who later pastored their own churches. To God be the glory for the things he has done! Many years later, mother Shockley rejoined her roots at Siloam A.M.E. Church and became a faithful, longtime member for over 50 years. There, she served in the following capacities: Chaplain of the Missionary Society, member of the Lay Organization, Stewardess board,

Sunday School Teacher, Senior and Missionary choirs as one of the lead singers.

Sarah was raised in a Christian home and was born again under the late Elder Jacob E. Brittingham Sr. of the Mt. Siani Holiness Church. She loved the Lord and lived the life she sang and talked about.

She was a devoted Christian wife and mother. After the passing of her husband, Mother Shockley raised 12 children from the age of 4 to 24. They were taught to love the Lord and respect their elders, which they never forgot.

Mother Shockley enjoyed sewing, and had a green thumb for growing beautiful flowers, cooking, canning food, and making pastries from the products on their farm. Two of her favorite songs included: "Your Grace and Mercy" and "When I Get to Heaven". She was known for reciting many poems and quoting scriptures. One of her favorite scriptures was the 24th Psalm.

She touched many souls and lives with her gentle spirit, and her presence in our lives is a gift we will never forget and always be thankful for.

Sarah was predeceased by her husband, Bishop David H. Shockley, Sr.; daughter, Ellen Parker; sons, Elder David A. Shockley, Oliver N. Shockley, Sr. and Craig Shockley; grandsons, Dale Shockley and Oliver Shockley, Jr.; brothers, Delton Macklin, and Charles Macklin; sisters, Elizabeth Harris and Ellen Hooker,

She leaves to cherish loving memories six sons, Vernon D. Shockley, Sr. (Georgia), Marvel L. Shockley (Lillie), Ivan P. Shockley (Francine), Lionel J. Shockley (Brenda), Thaddeus F. Shockley (Barbara), Brian K. Shockley (Charity); two daughters, Hera Gooch and Ladetrich Macklin (John); 39 grandchildren, 62 great grandchildren, and 28 great, great grandchildren and

a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, along with countless other friends and family who were blessed to have known her.