



Mrs. Mattye J. Green

April 4, 1928 - June 5, 2018

In Loving Memory Of Mattye J. Green:

Mattye Jo Damron was born to the parents of Andrew and Katharine Damron on April 4, 1928 in Selmer, Tennessee. She accepted Christ at an early age. After her move to Detroit she chose Fellowship Chapel as her church and contributed much of her attention to the church through auxiliaries, contributions and participation.

Mattye attended McNairy County Tennessee Public Schools from kindergarten thru high school. She walked to the local elementary school along with her sister which was about three miles away from home. High school did not prove to be much better as she had to walk to the highway to catch the school bus (which was always late). In spite of all the school drama, she and her sister finished high school and subsequently Lane College through the process of working one year and going to college the next year while the other sibling worked. (I suspect my mother worked out this process while my Dad was not looking.) After completing college, she went to work teaching at one of the local elementary schools while she pursued a Masters degree in Nashville, Tennessee commuting on weekends. Patience and persistence was an obvious virtue in her life.

Eventually, the local school system, which was segregated, began to collapse under its own weight and local school children were integrated leaving the

Black teachers without jobs. Teachers had to find jobs on their own and Mattye moved to Detroit in 1965 where she found employment in the Romulus school system. She was assigned to various grade levels there and remained in that system until she retired in 1995. She completed her Masters Degree and Specialist Degree at Eastern Michigan University while teaching at Romulus.

Mattye found her true love in Detroit and married Forrest E. Green on August 6, 1967. While they had no children, they accepted the love, affection and attention of all the nieces and nephews as their own and they tutored many children who needed an extra educational push. Forrest was her life and tutoring partner. He preceded her in death by four years.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

19975 Woodward Ave.
Detroit, MI 48203

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Jun. **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Friday, Jun. **15**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellowship Chapel
7707 West Outer Drive
Detroit, MI 48235

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mattye J. Green*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *To the family of Mattye
I am so sorry for your loss, Mattye surely will be missed.
Such a vibrant energetic person she was, her energy was
contagious. As a Lane College Alumnus the memories of all of the
time, effort and devotion Mattye put into contributing to Lane won't
be forgotten. Rest in Heaven Mattye you are a precious angel! 🙏*

Nancy R. Ferguson - June 13, 2018 at 05:58 PM



“ *I'm sorry for your loss. Mrs. Green car pooled with my father, Sam
Johnson, to work in the Romulus School District. They remained
friends and kept in touch after the both retired.
May God comfort your hearts.
C Harris*

Cassandra Harris - June 13, 2018 at 09:55 AM



“ *Claud Della Stackens lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Mattye J. Green*



Claud Della Stackens - June 13, 2018 at 01:45 AM

CS

I will miss this sweet lady and Cousin from Selmer Tenn. I love you with all my heart and miss Our Phone talks!!

Claud Della Stackens - June 13, 2018 at 01:47 AM

ML

“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort embrace you with peace and hope during this difficult time. Rev 21:4*

Ms Laverne - June 10, 2018 at 06:21 AM