

# DEACONESS LUCILLE MARY SEARCY

OCTOBER 27, 1927 — DECEMBER 5, 2007

## OBITUARY



Born October 17, 1927, to Elmer and Grace Bruce in Philadelphia, PA, Lucille lived in Esmont, VA, with her grandparents while her parents went up North to look for work.

After that period, Lucille's parents brought her and her younger sister Grace to live with them in Massachusetts. They lived in Malden, Everett, and Chelsea, MA, where Lucille started school. In 1936, the family moved to Boston where Lucille finished her education.

In 1943, Lucille began attending Metropolitan Baptist Church, where she served faithfully. In her younger years, she served as a junior usher, then later as a trustee. During her adult life she chose to serve on the Hospitality and Missionary committees, for she loved meeting and helping people. She sang in the choir and during that same time she served on the Pastor's Aide Committee. Lucille enjoyed participating in many of the church's plays, for she enjoyed acting.

In 1948, she married Edward Searcy and they enjoyed fifty-nine years of happiness in their union. Lucille served on the Diaconate Board faithfully along with her husband who chairs the Diaconate Board.

In 1988, after 20 years, Lucille retired from Gillette Safety Razor Company where she worked as a Plastics Inspector.

After her retirement, Lucille and Edward traveled all around the country with friends and family to Turkey, Hawaii, Greece, Alaska, and all over the Caribbean. Lucille was a gardener, seamstress, and she loved to sing, play the piano, and enjoyed spending time with her family.

Three sisters preceded her in death: Grace Bruce Furr, Beatrice Bruce Nobles, and Juanita Bruce Jackson.

She leaves her husband of fifty-nine years, Edward W. Searcy Sr.; three children: Patricia E. Benson and her husband James, Edward W. Searcy Jr. of Boston, MA, and James W. Searcy of Atlanta, GA; one brother: Elmer Bruce Jr. of NC; two sisters: Octavia Benberry of Oak Park, MI, and Shirley Bruce Hargrow of Boston, MA; seven grandchildren: Aleta, Jammille, Jamyle, Jason, India, Alexis, and Dana; five great grandchildren: Coleman, Makyle, Jamyle, Aziz, and Jayla; and a host of relatives and friends.