

Obituary

Miriam was born July 10, 1920 in Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies. She was the eldest of five children. Her father petitioned for her to come to the United States, more specifically, New York City. It was here that she met and married Thomas Witt. They remained married for fifty-nine years; until his death.

During her ninety years, together they raised three successful loving children, who revered their mother with the utmost respect. Miriam worked as a seamstress for many years. Later, having a family changed her priorities in life. She never complained, nor felt it to be a burden in life. Miriam had a zeal for life. She loved to dance. She loved Broadway theatre, people, and conversation. One of her many gifts in life was to make anyone she met feel comfortable, as if they had known her for a very long time. She was compassionate and fiery all at once, thoughtful and sensitive.

She was a shrewd and crafty thinker, Miriam often remarked throughout her lifetime, how situations of history really never changed: but became a common place. Miriam possessed a spirit of fierceness in adversity, the spirit of survival in the wake of hopelessness, the will of "I will accomplish", in the face of negativity.

Strength, endurance and kindness were trademarks of her character. She commanded that inner self to propel her to live peacefully, regardless of what life offered. Miriam was a breast cancer survivor at the ripe old age of eighty-six. She had a mastectomy. When notified of her illness she remarked "well take it off then"! Her spirit was indomitable.

Miriam is survived by: three children, Trevor, Audrey, and Hilliary; five grandchildren, Trevanda, Trevor, Eric, Alexis and Albon; one great granddaughter, Nia; two sisters, Doris and Violet; one brother, Clinton; nephews, nieces and many, many dear friends. She is also survived by her life time friend, Miss Violet.

We will miss our great friend, our great love and our true companion. Do not mourn Miriam; she has gone on to fulfill her other destinies. We, here today thank God for the joy, peace and loving memories of Miriam.

Order of Service



Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy

Rev. Dr. J.G. McCann, Sr.

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery
Paramus, New Jersey

Where I'm going is a beautiful and silent place.

No cries, sickness or worries for eternity.

Why grieve for me when you have each other?

Don't think of the bad times.

Think of good times we've had together.

Over the years, tired and sickly ...

I feel much better with Jesus.

God saw I was getting tired, so He picked me up on His wings so I could rest.



<u> Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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