

Order of Service

Opening Sentences	Rev. C. D. Charles
Prayer	
Hymn	"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
Choruses	
1st Scripture Reading	Jude Edwards (Great Grandson)
Special Song	Friend of the family– Joy
Poem	A Grandchild
Hymn	"It Is Well"
Eulogy	Yannick Edwards (Granddaughter)
2nd Scripture Reading	
Special Song	Kishana Lafleur
Tributes	
Hymn	
Sermon	
Prayer for the family	
Closing Hymn	"When We All Get To Heaven"

<u>Interment</u>

Stanleytown Cemetery New Amsterdam, Guyana

<u>Obituary</u>

We are gathered here today to celebrate the life of **Ethel Dorothy Edwards** and to pay our final respects.

Ethel Dorothy Edwards was born on February 12, 1920 in Guyana. She was a middle child of seven, born to parents, Albertha and Joseph Smith. In 1946, Ethel married Godfrey Sylvanes Edwards and together they had eight children, Godfrey, Jr., Gordon, Desiree, Michael, Vernon, Ester, Joseph and Denis. A devoted mother she was, Ethel raised her sons and daughters through hard work in the family's bakery. She also ran a daycare center in her home and worked as a seamstress at night. Above all she served as a minister in her church where she preached the gospel.

In 1979, her son, Michael and his then wife, Pauline left in her care their four children as they migrated to the United States to make a better life. This she did ever so humbly overcoming many challenges over a period of four years. Besides the support she received from her grandchildren's parents, she baked and cooked food which she sold at church functions. During difficult times she made the decision to sell her wedding band to make it possible to put a meal on the table. This wedding band was later replaced by another which was given to her by her granddaughter when she took residence in the United States on May 16, 1988.

On November 11, 2010, Ethel Dorothy Edwards passed away peacefully at Malmonides Hospital in Brooklyn, New York and took that journey back home to the Lord Jesus Christ whom she accepted as her Savior at the age of eighteen in 1938.

She is survived by: her children, Godfrey, Gordon, Michael, Ester, Joseph and Dennis; grandchildren, Yonette, Linden, Michelle, Julian, Lawrence, Yvette, Marcelie, Alexis, Michael, Jr., Rowena, Stacey, Timothy, Joshua Yolan and Yannick; sixteen great grandchildren; daughters-in-law, Yvonne, Carmen, Lynette and Petra; son-in-law, Chetwin; nieces and nephews, Vilma, Shirley, Pam, Bryan; and many others. She will be missed dearly by her wonderful caregivers, Stella and Minnie; friends, Sis Neblett, Joyce, Jack, Pastor Peats and family.

God saw that you were tired,
And care was not to be,
So he put his arms around you
And whispered "Come to me"
With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you passed away
Although we loved you dearly
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating
Tired hands at rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

Sincere Thanks

The family of the late **Ethel Dorothy Edwards** acknowledge with deep appreciation the many prayers, expression of love, concern and kindness extended during this period of bereavement.