

In Loving Memory of

Sunrise
September 7, 1951

Sunset
December 17, 2010

Melinda
McDowell
Baxter

Thursday, December 23, 2010 -11:00 a.m.

DIVINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Tremount and Smith Street
East Orange, New Jersey

Rev. Byron Lennon, Officiating



Obituary

Melinda McDowell Baxter was born in Camtobello, South Carolina on September 7, 1951 to Mattie Fair and Willie Woods. She moved to New Jersey in 1963, where she remained until 1993. She then moved to Florida to take care of her ailing father where she met her future husband, Lawrence Baxter. They married in 1998. Melinda then returned to New Jersey in 2006.

She departed this earth on Friday, December 17, 2010.

She was preceded in death by her father, Willie Woods and her husband, Lawrence Baxter.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her mother, Mattie Fair; sister, Gloria Tisdale; her three children, Anthony, Beverly and Danelle; eight grandchildren, Jasmine, Eugene, De'Jon, Mecca, Tatyanna, Nikhiyyah, Jahniyyah and Anthony; one great granddaughter, Zamira. She is also survived by nine aunts, three uncles, two nephews and one niece; and a host of other family members and friends.

Order of Service

Processional *Clergy and Family*

Selection *“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”*

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *“Blessed Assurance”*

Acknowledgements

and Remarks *(2 Minutes Please)*

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy *Rev. Byron Lennon*

Recessional *“I’ll Fly Away”*
Clergy and Family

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

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