

A portrait of Sandra "Sandy" Baker-Fortune, a Black woman with dark hair and bangs, wearing a light blue jacket over a dark top. She is holding a large orange lily flower. The background is a soft, light pink.

Honoring Her Life

Sandra "Sandy" Baker-Fortune

April 18, 1949 - April 13, 2011

Services

Monday, April 18, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

515 West 125th Street
New York, New York 10027

Reverend Shon T. Akins, Pastor
Officiating

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Family Processional

Prayer of Comfort *Appointee*

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalms 23

New Testament John 14: 1-7

Selection *Choir*

Remarks

One minute please

Selection *Soloist*

Reading of the Obituary *Appointee*

Reading: *Fulfilling the Dash* *Appointee*

Eulogy *Bishop William F. Baker*

Final Viewing

Recessional

Food will be served following the service.

Entombment

Cypress Hills Masoleum

Brooklyn, New York

Burial - Tuesday, April 19, 2011 – 10 a.m.

Obituary

Sandra L. Baker-Fortune, 61, died on April 13, 2011 at St. Luke's Hospital in New York after a short illness and complications with her heart.

Born on April 18, 1949, at Harlem Hospital in Manhattan, NY, to the late William Baker and Audrey Wilson, "Sandy" received Bachelor and Master degrees in her chosen life-long profession, Physical Education and Occupational Therapy.

Sandy began her career as a physical education teacher in 1978 with the New York City Public School System in Brooklyn, New York. While she dedicated her life to the social, physical and emotional development of urban youth, her passion was her double-dutch teams. She used the jump rope as a way to promote leadership, sportsmanship, teamwork, perseverance and determination in all her students. Sandy's goal was to motivate and inspire young people to a level of excellence in all aspects of their lives.

Inclusive of her profession, Sandy loved the Lord! She was a faithful member of Antioch Baptist Church in Harlem where she served as an usher for several years.

Preceded in death by her father and mother, Sandy is survived by: **husband**, Eugene Fortune; **daughters**, Teressa Skeete and husband, Kashim, Trina Shaw and husband, Jeff, Tyra Evans-Johnson and husband, John and Wanzana DelSorbo and husband, Peter; **grandchildren**, Ryan, Toni-Ann, Shavashia, Tiffany, Peter Jr. , John Henry, Jeffery, August, Faith, Marcus, and Sarafina; **brothers**, William and his wife, Diane, and Charles, **sisters**, Frederica, Lucy, Karalinda and Audrey, and a myriad of nieces, nephews, cousins, colleagues, students and friends.

God's Garden

God looked around His garden
and He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth
and He saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful.
He only takes the best.
He saw that the road was getting rough
and the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered
"Peace Be Thine."
It broke our hearts to lose you
but you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you
the day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories.
Your love is still our guide.
And though we cannot see you
you are always by our side.

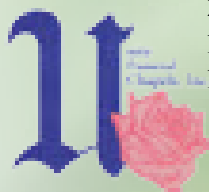
*7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith. 8 Finally, there is laid up for me
the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the right-
eous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me
only but also to all who have loved His appearing.*

2 Timothy 4:7-8

Acknowledgement

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation, the many expressions
of love, concern and kindness shown to them this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!*

Family Requests: In lieu of flowers, the family wishes that all donations
be made in support of her Double Dutch team, Jazzy Jumpers.



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