

In Loving Memory of



*Gwendolyn
Spears*

1946 - 2011

Tuesday, April 19, 2011 - 1:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Rev. H. William Rutherford, Jr., Officiating
Emory Lee, Organist*

Obituary

Gwendolyn Spears was born January 18, 1946 to Adele Bryant and the late Marion Henry. She was the oldest of six children. Early Wednesday morning, April 13, 2011, Gwendolyn departed this life and her soul is now at peace resting with her Heavenly Father.

Gwendolyn received her formal education in the Newark School System. She graduated from South Side High School, and then received an Associate's Degree from Essex County College. Gwendolyn furthered her education and received a Bachelor's Degree from Rutgers University.

Gwen married her high school sweetheart, Harry Steven Spears II and from this union two children were born, Harry Steven Spears III and Gwendolyn Michelle Spears.

Gwendolyn began her working career as a college-work study student before becoming a full-time employee of Essex County College. In 2006 after serving faithfully for thirty-eight years, Gwen retired as the Director of Purchasing.

Gwendolyn enjoyed traveling and visited over six different countries in her travels. She loved the "sun" and took advantage of "tanning" at every opportunity. Upon retiring Gwen spent many hours gardening not only her yard but up-and-down the block. She also spent endless hours playing computer games and jigsaw puzzles. Gwen loved to cook and would spend hours planning and preparing for family barbeques.

Gwendolyn was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Steven Spears, II, her son, Harry Steven Spears III, her brother, Raymond Paul Henry and her father, Marion Henry.

Gwendolyn leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Gwendolyn Michelle Spears; mother, Adele Bryant; brother, Wayne Phillip Henry; sisters, Marilyn Henry, Vivian Ann Henry and Sonia Bryant; grandchildren, Jovanna, Ariyanna, Beautiful Summer, Zion and Skyy; aunts, Magnolia McCray and Savannah Henry; uncle, Paul Henry; and a host of other loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

I'll Be With You Always

*To those I love and those that love me
When I am gone, release me, let me go.*

*I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,
Be happy that we had so many years.*

*I gave you my love, you can only guess,
How much you gave me happiness.*

*I thank you for the love you each have shown,
But now it's time I travel alone.*

*So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.*

*It's only for a while that we must part,
So bless the memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on,
So if you need me, call and I will come*

*Though you can't see, or touch me,
I'll be near, all of my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say, "welcome home".*

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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