



*In Loving Memory of*

*Sunrise*  
*October 13, 1936*

*Sunset*  
*May 2, 2011*

*Thelma H. Simon*

*Friday, May 6, 2011 - 12:00 Noon*

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue

New York, New York 10027

*Rev. Lee Arrington, Officiating*  
*Minister Tyrone Richardson, Organist*

## Obituary

### *Beloved Mother and Grandmother*

**Thelma Henrietta Simon** was born on October 13, 1936 to Richard Williams and Elizabeth Caldwell in New York City. Thelma departed this life on May 2, 2011 at Fieldstone Nursing Home.

Thelma (a.k.a. Maw, Tontla) was a resident of Harlem, New York most of her adult life, being raised by Thelma and James Emmitt Batts. She attended the public school system and graduated from Jane Adams High School and later became a Nurse's Aide at New York Hospital. Thelma later married her long time friend, Charles David Simon, Sr. in 1963.

The two co-parented and had nine children, Stanley, Patricia, Arlene, Allen, Lawrence, Charles, Karen, Sandra and last but not least Thomas. Thelma continued to support her family while her husband co-owned a vegetable stand on 8th Avenue. Their union lasted until his death in December of 1974.

All who knew her knew how much she loved and cherished her family and friends. She always looked forward to birthdays and holidays. Thelma had a wonderful sense of humor that would have stopped you in your tracks.

Thelma leaves behind to cherish her memory: her children, Stanley, Arlene, Karen, Charles, Sandra and Thomas; sister, Marion Simmons; niece, Annette Ware; fourteen grandchildren, Kelli, Rahman, Nashira, Tiffany, Shirley, Shannon, Thomas, Darryl Jr., Leon, Donovan, Tyesha, Charlene, Tanasia and Tamika and six great grandchildren.

# Order of Service

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy ..... Rev. Lee Arrington

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Viewing

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## **Interment**

Fair Lawn Cemetery  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

*I'm*

*Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid you to see  
I took His hand when I heard him call  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunrise of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times,  
a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your hearts and peace to the  
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

*-author unknown*

## **Acknowledgement**

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.

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