

*Homegoing Celebration*  
*For*  
*Eloise Smalls-Hannah*

*Sunrise*  
*October 28, 1943*

*Sunset*  
*April 2, 2012*



*Service*

*Friday, April 6, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.*

*Minister*

*William Ashley*

*New York City Church of Christ*

*Member of St. Pius Catholic Church*

*420 East 145th Street*

*Priest: Father Paul*

# Obituary

## *Eloise Smalls Hannah*

*The Lord saw fit to loan us a wonderful amazing woman who was a Mother, Sister, Grandmother, Friend, Caretaker and Confidant. Eloise-Smalls Hannah was born to the late Jacque and Evelyn Smalls in Charleston, South Carolina on October 28, 1943. During Eloise's teen years, her family relocated to New York City where all her surviving siblings remain. Eloise lost her mother, Evelyn Smalls while she was a teenager leaving an emptiness that contributed to her relentless spirit to deepen her love and commitment to her children as well as to her brothers and sisters. Eloise's dad, Jacque Smalls remarried Helen Smalls and together they had a combined family of 11 children. The combined family consisted of: Gertrude Richardson; Thelma Goulds; Delores Hartley; Geneva Grant; Anna Ferguson; Cheryl Smalls-Ward; Larry Smalls; Althea Gathers; Mary Simmons and the late Charlie Smalls.*

*Eloise moved to the Bronx and raised her six children: Tyrone Smalls; Sandra Smalls-Howard, Helena Smalls-Davis; Stacey Neely; Aretha Logan and Henry Smalls. Eloise always encouraged her children to get their education. She always said, "I may not have a high education but you will get yours, as it is the way to many opportunities." Eloise worked for the Department of Education for over 20 years as a Dietician. She loved working with children, as she had a gift to love, comfort and encourage anyone around her. She loved animals, as over the years she owned birds, ducks, baby chickens, guinea pigs, hamsters, dogs and her house cat "Pudden." With her bright smile and warm face. She often used words of endearment such as "baby, honey, sweetheart, love" and so many other consoling words. She loved listening and dancing to Motown hits as she filled her home with all the greats. She was an impeccable housekeeper and an awesome cook. Eloise also had a green thumb. Her home was filled with exotic plants as she talked to them daily, trimming and nurturing their existence.*

*Eloise leaves behind her six children, daughter/sons-in-law and adopted children, Tyrone married Tracey, who gave birth to Tyrone Jr. & Tyeshia, Blessing & Timothy, Sandra married gave birth to Josette, Antania, Latoya, Lashun & Lanette, Helena married Patrick Davis gave birth to Jordan, Jairus & Patrick Jr., Stacey married Michael Neely gave birth to Shantel, Shanice & Michael, Jr., Aretha married Bryon Logan gave birth to Maya & Caprice, Henry gave birth to Henry Jr., Bryce, Breeyah, Amayah & Krystina. Adopted daughter, Ethel Simmons who gave birth to Raven. Also adopted son, Marcellus a.k.a "Pooner".*

*Eloise leaves behind: one brother, eight sisters along with a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends.*

# *Order of Service*

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

*Remarks*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

*Interment*

*Kensico Cemetery  
Valhalla, New York, 10595*



### Forever and Always

Why are you crying? Do you think that I'm gone?  
I haven't left you. I'm where I belong.

Anytime you are lonely, anytime you are sad,  
anytime that your heart breaks, anytime you are mad  
all you have to do is close your eyes and I'll be there with you.  
You see the world may take my body but that's all that it can do.

When Jesus died upon the cross, he took away our sins.  
He conquered death so we can live in heaven where life begins.

Don't stop the memory of the time we shared.

It's God's way to help you through.

Take time to laugh when life gets hard, the way we use to do!  
A smell? A touch? The mourning sun? They all will help you see.

I'm still there. I never left. Now smile once more for me.

Live each day. Keep looking up. My life was not in vain.

I finished the task I was born to do.

That's why I couldn't remain.

Until I see you - I love you forever and always.

### *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to thank everyone for there condolences  
and best wishes during our time of bereavement.

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