

*In Loving Memory of*  
**Venus Battle**

**Sunrise**  
*January 13, 1937*

**Sunset**  
*December 18, 2012*



**Service**

Monday, December 24, 2012 - 12:00 Noon

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey

**Bishop Hilton Rawls, Officiating**

## *Obituary*

**Venus Battle** was born and raised in Newark, NJ to Benjamin and Sallie Brown-Bey on January 13, 1937.

Venus was educated in the Newark Public School system. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church for many years. She worked for Ideal Toy Company dating back to the 1970's.

Venus hobbies included playing solitaire which she taught her grandchildren to play, Bingo, crossword puzzles and winning on scratch-offs. She had a favorite saying with her pint sized self "*You and what army.*"

Venus was preceded in death by her husband, David Battle, one son, James Derrick Brown; one daughter, Carol Elizabeth; two brothers, Frank and Thomas Bey; three sisters, Gloria, Florine and Mary Bey.

Venus leaves to cherish her memory: three sons, David, Robert and William Battle; daughters-in-law, Arlinaa, Lori, Doreen Battle and Yvette Ashford; two sisters, Eunice and Elizabeth Bey; a companion of forty-two years, John "Butch" McKinnis. Venus has twenty-two grandchildren; ninety-three great grand and fifteen great-great grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Tyrone Johnson

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks (*2 minutes please*)

Poem

By Toni Burks

Obituary Reading

Renee Ashford

Selection

David Battle

Eulogy

Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr.

Recessional

**Cremation**

Evergreen Crematory

Hillside, New Jersey

## *Psalm 23*

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*



### *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

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