

Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life of



Yvonne Marie Bryant

"May the work that I have done speak for me"

Sunrise

September 17, 1943

Sunset

April 26, 2013

Service

Friday, May 3, 2013 ~ 10:30 am

First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens

771 Somerset Street

Somerset, New Jersey

Rev. DeForest B. Soaries, Jr., Senior Pastor

Presiding - Rev. Errol Cooper, Associate Pastor

Life Reflections

Yvonne Marie Bryant was born on September 17, 1943 in Washington, Pennsylvania, daughter of the late Edward Bryant, Sr. and Lucy Jones Bryant and has lived in Linden for over 45 years.

She was an active member of First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens in Somerset, New Jersey since 1984 where she Co-founded the Love Force AIDS Ministry and the Mentoring Program. She also participated in the AIDS Walkathon, Bible Study and Debt Free Class where she received a Certificate and various church sponsored activities.

She experienced a distinguished career of 40 years with the Federal Government in the Social Security Administration through which she received numerous promotions and awards. She retired in 2004 from the position of District Manager in Hoboken and Jersey City where she had worked for over 14 years.

While District Manager in Hudson County, she served as Chairperson of the Planning Council of Hudson County HIV / AIDS; President of the Board of the Visiting Home Health Service of Hudson County; and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Hudson County. Yvonne deeply believed in making a difference and continued to be involved in her community and church through volunteer activities.

After retirement, she enriched her skills by becoming a Certified Life Coach, a Certified Workshop Leader and earned a Mentoring Supervisor Certificate from Fordham University. She created a mentoring program at St. Anthony High School in Jersey City and volunteered as Program Director. The mentoring program won an award from Fordham University as "Outstanding New Mentoring Program" in 2008. She won a Community Service Award from the Rotary Club of Jersey City.

Yvonne was currently conducting a Mentoring, Coaching and Training Consulting practice based on her many years of professional and volunteering experience with organizations such as Landmark Education, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the Hyacinth AIDS Foundation and The International Black Summit Organization.

Yvonne who loved Butterflies, was truly a gifted and talented person who treated everyone she met with compassion. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.

Yvonne Marie Bryant departed this life on Friday, April 26, 2013 at her home at the age of 69. She was predeceased by her brother, Wesley "Fat Man" Bryant and sister, Linda Bryant.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, her son, Gregory Bryant of Linden, NJ; two brothers, Edward Bryant, Jr. and his wife, Brenda Lee of Ewing Township, NJ and Fred "Hammy" Bryant of Linden, NJ; a devoted niece, Jovana Calland; a nephew, Jayson Bryant; cousins raised by her, Kyjuana Turner and Robert Jones and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

Order Of Service

Presiding - Rev. Errol Cooper, Associate Pastor
First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens

MUSICAL PRELUDENoel Goring

PROCESSIONAL

OPENING HYMN..... “Blessed Assurance”

SCRIPTURES

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - Romans 8:35-39

PRAYER OF COMFORTRev. Dr. Sheila Gipson

SOLO..... Dena Allen Spivey

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & EXPRESSIONS

READING OF OBITUARY

Rosetta Stevenson

REMARKS:Representative of Mentoring Program
Linda Ocampo Thomas and Jovana Calland

SOLODena Allen Spivey

EULOGYRev. Deborah Stapleton, Assoc. Pastor
First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens, Somerset, NJ

RECESSIONAL“The Morning Chant” – Rickie Byars Beckwith

INTERMENTRosedale Cemetery • Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the service, everyone is invited for refreshments in the Rev. Charlie H. Brown, Jr. Fellowship Hall.

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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Pall Bearers

Family and Friends of **Yvonne Marie Bryant**



*You wonder why I went away
And didn't say goodbye;
I couldn't bear to tell you
For it hurts me when you cry.*

*My ship came in early this morning
And it was beautiful to see;
The captain was King Jesus,
And he softly beckoned me.*

*I ran across the leeway
And fell down at his feet
He took me gently in His arms,
My rest is now complete.*

Acknowledgement

The family of **Yvonne Marie Bryant** acknowledges with our deepest appreciation and gratitude all of your thoughtfulness, kindness and sympathy in her passing. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.