

A portrait of a woman with short, dark, wavy hair, wearing a white lace-trimmed top. She is looking slightly to the left. In the foreground, there are several white lilies with yellow and pink centers. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green and white.

*In Loving Memory of*  
***Deaconess Cabronica V. Gordon***

**Sunrise**

July 26, 1914

**Sunset**

May 20, 2013

Wednesday, May 29, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

**Calvary Baptist Church**

66 South Grove Street  
East Orange, NJ 07017

***Rev. William M. Freeman, Officiating***

## *The Obituary*

**Cabronica Veattress Gordon**, formerly of Orange, New Jersey, was born at Orange Memorial Hospital, Orange, NJ on Sunday, July 26, 1914 to James Andrew Jackson and Noley Rose.

Cabronica was educated at Colgate Vocational School. She and her family were life-long members of Union Baptist Church of Orange, NJ where her father was a trustee and her mother was a faithful member under Rev. James H. Hughes, Pastor. She later moved to Quoque, Long Island, NY to live with her brother, Edward and his family and attended West Hampton Beach High School from which she graduated. Many years later she moved to New York City, NY and shared an apartment with her sister, Geraldine and began employment as a sales clerk. When that company closed, she returned to New Jersey where she met and was later united in marriage to James Russell Gordon of East Orange, NJ.

Two children, Barbara Kay Gordon and Barry Gordon, were born to this union. Several years later, when her children were in grammar school, she became a Girl Scout leader for Troop 121 at the Settlement House in West Orange, NJ. She also sold Avon products and Fashion Frocks. She left Union Baptist Church of Orange, NJ once she married and joined Calvary Baptist Church, East Orange, NJ to worship with her husband, who was already a member. After many years of faithful attendance, he was asked to become a Deacon. He agreed and as a result, she became a Deaconess. She was also a member of The Gospel Chorus and The Silver Leaf Club. Cabronica later renewed her membership at Union Baptist Church in Orange, NJ under the leadership of Rev. William McKinley Freeman.

She leaves to mourn her passing: her daughter, Barbara Kay Ellington Crawford of South Carolina; her son, James Barry Gordon of Louisiana. She was the grandmother of Judith Gault, Darlene D. Patterson, Major Henry D. Ellington, III, Sheri and Tonja Gordon; great-grandmother to Eric, Jasmine, Lorenzo, Samantha, Tatiana, Krystal and Amber and Darnell James Patterson.

She was grandmother-in-law to Samuel Gault, Ingrid Ellington and A. Darnell Patterson, sister-in-law of Katie and Charles Smith and Annie Van Clief and other relatives and friends.

Lovingly submitted,  
The Family

# *Order of Service*

Prelude ..... Mr. John B. Houston

Processional

Call to Worship and Invocation ..... Rev. William M. Freeman

Hymn of Consolation ..... “Blessed Assurance”

Scripture Reading

Old Testament – Psalm 23

New Testament – Revelation 21:1-5

Prayer of Comfort ..... Rev. William M. Freeman

Solo ..... “Precious Lord Take My Hand”  
Deaconess Armelia Grooms

Acknowledgements and Condolences.....Family and Friends

Obituary ..... Deacon Glenn M. Gamble

Hymn ..... “Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross”

Eulogy ..... Rev. William M. Freeman, Pastor  
Union Baptist Church, Orange, NJ

Benediction

Recessional ..... Clergy, Family and Friends

**Interment**  
Rosedale Cemetery  
Orange, New Jersey

Family and Friends are invited back to the church for a repast  
immediately following the interment.

# *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
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 or 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 up 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 sunshine 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 heart and share with me,*

*God wanted me now, He set me free!*

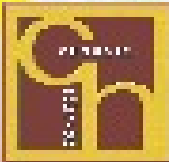
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## *Acknowledgement*

The Family of the late **Cabronica V. Gordon** would like to take this opportunity to extend their sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy shown to them during their time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless and keep each of you in His loving Care.

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