

<u>Obituary</u>

Marilyn Lavern Johnson was born October 17, 1937 to James Dean and Hattie Johnson in Monmouth County, NJ. She was an only child.

She moved to the Bronx at an early age. Marilyn attended Morris High School and the College of New Rochelle in the Bronx. She worked for the Board of Education as a Teacher for twenty-five years, since she retired.

Marilyn married Robert Lee Seward in 1986, whom preceded her in death. Marilyn was a unique woman, all through her life she worked diligently to care for her family, friends and all who came to her for help (she was a listener and fixer of broken lives). She always encouraged her family and friends to persevere in the pursuit of their dreams.

Marilyn's memory lives on with: her three children, Jeffery Johnson, Paula Johnson Sampson and Harcourt Vann Bullard; one deceased daughter, Robin Lavern Johnson; five grandchildren, Juston, Brandi, Michael Jr., Kahlil and Michael Wesly; one daughter-in-law, Gina Johnson; one son-in-law, Michael Sampson; also the great many family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Lee Arrington

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

I Am Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I am free
I am following the path GOD has 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; my tasks left undone must stay that way.

I found that place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembering joy, Friendship shared, laughing, kissing, 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've savored much, good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all to 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

Acknowledgement

At this time the family would like to thank each and everyone for their kind thoughts and prayers during their time of bereavement.

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