

In Loving Memory of



Dora Brownlee

Sunrise

January 11, 1956

Sunset

July 7, 2013

Service

Thursday, July 18, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY

Obituary

Remembrances

*On January 11, 1956, in New York City God blessed the late Benjamin Brownlee and Elruby Thomas-Brownlee with a daughter; they named her **Dora Brownlee**.*

Dora was the fourth of five children. She had three sisters and one brother, Deborah Brownlee (preceded), Benjamin Brownlee Jr. (preceded), Diane Brownlee, and Deloris Brownlee-Conn. The Brownlee family lived on the lower east side prior to moving to Robert A. Taft Houses making them one of the first families to reside in the 1345. Dora attended P.S. 10 for her academic growth.

In 1977 Dora Brownlee married her teenage sweet heart, Robert Lee Branch Jr. and from this union they were blessed with four children, Elruby Brownlee-Thomas (Alvin), Robert Lee Branch III (Pamela), Diamond Gwen Branch-Francis (Mekre), James Reginald Branch (Vanessa) and she was blessed to be a loving mother to Natalie Goodwin who completed their family unit.

Dora had an amazing sense of humor and was able to put other people before herself. Dora was a loving caring person and a true friend to all. She had the ability to be there for those in need of guidance, a shoulder to cry on, an ear to listen to, or if needed an honest reality check; she always had words to be remembered by.

Dora loved to have fun and entertain, she always made sure that everyone around her was comfortable and allowed to be themselves. You could always depend on Dora to have a good time whether it was with her peers or with her children. She taught her children to believe in God, to love, to never stop learning, to stick together, respect and accept people for who they are. She always told her children "Nothing beats a failure but a try".

Dora has always been a spiritual person and a believer in Jesus Christ. In 2011 Dora made the decision to be baptized and became a Seventh Day Adventist.

She leaves behind to love and cherish her memory: two aunts, Ruth Brownlee and Yvonne Brownlee; two sisters, Diane Brownlee (Lynwood), Deloris Brownlee-Conn (Douglas), and five adult children. She especially loved her five grandchildren, Joslynn, Shannon, Nasiere, SeyoumEyesus, and Javon, four nieces, three nephews, ten great nieces and nephews. Her longtime companion, Timothy Russell (Smokie); two honored sisters, Charlotte Burris and Victoria Vaughn; one honored brother, SaintClair Perry; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family members and dear friends. Dora held many titles for many people and will always be remembered and loved.

Order of Service

Prelude

Scripture Reading-Psalm 121:1-8.....(Troynell Richardson)

Old TestamentPsalm 23

New TestamentJohn 3:16

Prayer of ComfortEcclesiastes 3:1-8

Solo Selection.....Guest Singer

Remarks and Words of Comfort (2 min limit).....Honored Guests

*EulogyPastor Robert Paschall
(Read By Diamond Branch-Francis)*

Solo "God Bless the Child".....Elruby Brownlee-Thomas

Obituary ReadingDiamond Branch-Francis

Closing Prayer..... "The Lord's Prayer "Matthew 6:9-13

Recessional and Closing Hymn..... "This Little Light of Mine"

Final Disposition

Woodlawn Crematory
Bronx, New York

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!*

-author unknown

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