

Obituary

Ruth Mozelle Cruickshank, was born in New York City on December 28, 1925 to Maude Lacey and Louis Cruickshank. She was the youngest girl of twelve children

As a young girl, Ruth was nicknamed "Peanut" by her siblings and that name stuck with her throughout her life.

Ruth met and married Fitzherbert Taylor and of this union two children were produced: Durinda F. Taylor (deceased) and Carole V. Taylor.

Ruth attended the New York City public school system during her formative years and the went on to continue her higher education at the Borough of Manhattan Community College where she received her Associates Degree

During her working years, Ruth worked with her husband Fitzherbert Taylor (deceased) in their family owned tailor shop in New York City. She later worked for various temp agencies and finally found employment with the NYC Board of Education as a school secretary - from which she retired.

Having a love for fashion and sewing, Ruth furthered her formal education by receiving a certificate from the Fashion Institute of Technology where she learned pattern making and clothing design.

Ruth was an avid reader, a free thinker and an activist for the rights of people of African dissent. She loved attending the African lecture series hosted by Dr. Clarke and Dr. Ben and rarely missed any of the lectures.

Ruth was a talented communicator and a great joker with a weird, but polished sense of humor. Ruth was the consummate globetrotter and loved her world travels. It was not unknown for Ruth to use her vacations traveling to places like: Africa, Australia, China, Russia and the South Pacific and these were only some of the places Ruth enjoyed during her life span. Ruth put on a tough demeanor, but she was a fair and loving individual who greatly loved children and would go the distance to aid them. She loved to entertain her friends and would often host gatherings in their honor.

Ruth leaves behind her daughter Carole and her brother Lionel Cruickshank and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Ruth, you will be greatly missed. Rest in peace "Peanut," you are now with God.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection "Abide With Me"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament New Testament

Prayer

Selection

Poem

Diane Cruickshank

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Veronica Hedrington-Phauls

Selection

"Going Up Yonder"

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Rosehills Cemetery Putnam Valley, New York

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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