

*Virgene's favorite scripture:*

Matthews 7:1-4

Do not judge and criticize and condemn others, so that you may not be judged and criticized and condemned yourselves.

For just as you judge and criticized and condemn others, you will be judged and criticized and condemned, and in accordance with the measure you [use to] deal out to others, it will be dealt out again to you.

Why do you stare from without at the very small particle that is in your brother's eye but do not become aware of and consider the beam of timber that is in your own eye?

Or how can you say to your brother, Let me get the tiny particle out of your eye, when there is the beam of timber in your own eye?

*Acknowledgements*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece if so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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*In Loving  
Memory  
of*



*Virgene Evelyn-Busby*

**Sunrise**

November 4, 1928

**Sunset**

December 25, 2013

*Service*

Friday, January 3, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

130 Main Street  
Orange, New Jersey

# Order of Service

**Musical Prelude**

**Opening Hymn**

**Scripture Reading**

Old Testament

New Testament

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgement / Resolutions**

**Remarks (2 minutes please)**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Recessional**

## **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

# Obituary

**Virgene Evelyn-Busby** was born on November 4, 1928 in Newark, N.J. to the late Cleland Montaque Evelyn and Iris Claudine Richards who immigrated to the U.S. from Barbados, West Indies. Virgene was one of six siblings and was raised in the South 15th Street area of Newark. She was educated in the Newark school system.

It was in her childhood neighborhood that she met and married the love of her life, William Edward Busby. Their union produced her greatest joy, their son William Edward Busby Jr. who was affectionately nicknamed "Bumpy" by her father, Cleland. She worked at UMDNJ in the housekeeping department until her retirement.

Virgene had a smile that lit up the room, and her laugh was infectious. She exuded a joy and confidence that undoubtedly was a gift from God. She was a loving and giving person that always took the opportunity to share a kind and encouraging word to inspire others to be the best they could be.

Virgene, along with her two sisters-in-law Ruth and Aileen developed a great passion for sewing. The three of them had a sewing circle that brought much joy. She also loved playing cards, traveling, going to Broadway plays, concerts, cruising, and going to movies. Her favorite companion was her dear niece Carleen Evelyn. Carleen was not only her niece but was her best friend and confidant. In her later years, when her health was declining, her son Bumpy became her devoted nurse. Her daughter-in-law Linda became her personal chef, and her niece Denise became her personal "physician".

Virgene was preceded in death by her husband, William, three of her brothers: Carlisle, Edwin, and Clifford, one sister: Irene, her sisters-in-law: Aileen, Ruth, Ernestine, and Delores.

She leaves to cherish her memory her beloved son William "Bumpy" and his wife Linda, her brother Reginald Evelyn, her sisters-in-law Mildred Evelyn and Claudette, her two grandchildren: Eric and Iesha, three step grandchildren: Gail (Patrick), Gary, and Malik; one beautiful great granddaughter: Kha'niyah, twelve step great grandchildren, a host of beloved nieces, nephews, and friends.

Virgene lives on in her many loved ones. Her eyes have been inherited by her son Bumpy. Her style goes to her grandson Eric. Her smile lives on in her granddaughter Iesha. Her spirit is carried by her great granddaughter Kha'niyah.

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