

In Loving Memory of
Antone Alecia Jacob

Sunrise
October 14, 1949

Sunset
January 5, 2014



Service

Monday, January 13, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.

GREATER ZION HOLY BAPTIST CHURCH

2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Pastor Tim English, Officiating

Pastor Que English, Eulogist

Obituary

Antone Jacob was the second born child of Susan Green Armstrong and Rolando Sabio. Born Antone Alecia Sabio, she was the middle child of three siblings, including her older brother Rigoberto and her younger sister Tanya. She was born and raised in New York City.

She attended elementary school at P.S. 105. She and her brother sang in the choir at West End Presbyterian Church as young children. She attended Booker T. Washington Junior High School, where she was an “A” student. She attended Brandeis High school. Soon after high school she began having her family. During Antone’s youth and adolescent years, she moved around a lot, but remained a Manhattan resident. She participated in many activities during this time, but her favorite was taking African dance classes. She also took piano lessons, but really wanted to dance. She also spent time among jazz musicians. Her childhood friend was John Coltrane’s daughter, Antonia with whom she spent a few summers. At a very early age, she displayed a creative side. She was a lover of beautiful things, and made sure that her surroundings, no matter where she was, were as beautiful as she can imagine.

Antone had a deep love for art in all forms whether it was visual, musical, performance or crafts. She, herself was an artist who loved to draw. She made portraits of her children and still life photos. She could draw anything by sight. She was a known seamstress, who loved to sew. Teaching herself how to sew at a very young age, she made everything from a coat to a chair. One of her children’s fondest memories was going to sleep and waking up to a new outfit that she had stayed up all night making. She also had a love for knitting and crocheting. She made numerous amounts of blankets, hats and scarves. Antone was a sharp, entrepreneurial minded woman who was about her business. She was self employed. She made her living selling her creations. Because there was no money, she used her gifts and talents. She would make clothes for her children and create a home using her interior decorating skills. She was resourceful; using everything she had in order to provide for her family.

It was the small things that counted when raising her kids. She always told them to remember the 23rd psalm, she always kept up with the latest artists and trends, she always wanted to try out her new recipes on her children, cumin went in everything, and the one thing she told them over and over was “Do not sit on your gift!” Overall, she was a homemaker and a housewife for many years, raising her four children.

She moved to the Bronx in the 1970’s, where she lived on Grand Avenue. In the 1980’s she moved to 175th street, where she would remain until the end of her life. She was known in the neighborhood as “Ms Toni”. She had a no-nonsense personality and fought for what she thought was right. If there was an injustice, everyone knew that she would not keep quiet about it.

Those who knew Ms Toni know that she was a beautiful woman with a beautiful heart.

Antone is survived by her daughters, Susan Andrea Culbreth, Tamisha Sabio-Hall and Ijha Janelle Jacob; her Sons-in law, Cedric Culbreth Sr. (Married to Susan Andrea) and Gerald Hall (Married to Tamisha); her mother, Susan Green Armstrong; her older brother, Rigoberto Sabio; her younger sister, Tanya Sabio; her sister-in-law, Judy (Kia) Sabio; her grandsons, Cedric Culbreth Jr., Sean Farrish, Michael Hall, Christopher Culbreth and Elijah Hall; her granddaughter, Keyah Shalee Hall; her great-grandson, Aaron Anthony Culbreth; her nephews, Mercilo Sabio, Zavier Sabio, Rolando Sabio and Kavion Sabio; her niece, N’Dia Sabio; her former husband, Gregory Jacob and many friends who cherish her memory. She is also survived by her cat, Lilly-Storm Mew (She loved her little Lilly Storr-um).

She is preceded in death by her son, Michael Sabio, Her father, Rolando Sabio and her step-father, Huntley Armstrong.

Order of Service

Officiant – Pastor Tim English

Organ Prelude Min Scott Tolbert

Opening Welcome Pastor Tim English

Prayer of Comfort Evangelist S. Biggs

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Deacon James Davis

New Testament Deacon Eleanor Davis

Song Selection

Remarks Family & Friends (*2 minutes max please*)

Poem Reading By Susan Armstrong (*Mother*)

Reading of Cards & Condolences

Obituary Kavion Sabio

Song Selection “Total Praise”

(sung by Ijha Jacob-daughter, Barbara T. Walker and Karanja Mattocks)

Eulogy..... Pastor Que English

Final Viewing

Committal

Benediction

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Acknowledgement

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