

In Loving Memory of



Ernestine Spencer

Sunrise
October 14, 1940

Sunset
January 24, 2014

Service

Thursday, January 30, 2014 - 7:30 p.m.

GREATER ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Dr. J.G. McCann, Sr., Officiating

Obituary

Ernestine Spencer, was born on October 14, 1940 in Augusta, Georgia to the late Edward C. Hawkins and Eleanor Trimble. She passed away peacefully at home on Friday, January 24, 2014 at the age of seventy-three.

Ernestine moved to New York City at an early age with her parents and sister, Gwendolyn Hawkins. She grew up in Washington Heights, and graduated from Commerce High School.

She married Ralph Spencer, Sr., and had a child, Ralph Spencer, Jr. She went on to work at Arlans Department Stores, and Flaghouse Inc. Thereafter, she went to work for New York City Transit Authority as a Token Booth Clerk/Station Agent, until her retirement in 2003.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Gwendolyn Prens. She was well known throughout the community for being fun loving, kindhearted, and compassionate. She loved playing cards, and traveling, especially to Atlantic City and Las Vegas. She will be missed by many.

She is survived: by her son, Ralph Spencer, Jr.; her grandsons, Kiyon Ralph Spencer and Ralph Spencer III; her niece, Keena Kavelle Prens-Chalmers; her cousins, and a host of other family and very close friends.

Order of Service

Processional

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Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Come to me

*God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered "Come to me"
The days of toil and nights of pain
The weary hours have passed
The patient gentle worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Day and night we stood by her
And saw her in pain,
Anxiously awaiting her cure
But our waiting was in vain.
God who knoweth all things best
Eased her suffering, gave her rest
She is gone but not forgotten,
Never will our memories fade
Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger
Round the place where she rests.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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