

Hazel Henry

Sunrise
October 4, 1926

Sunset June 22, 2014

Service

Monday, June 30, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

ST. ANGELA MERICI R.C. CHURCH

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Hazel Evadney Pearl Bennett-Henry, was born to Viola Anderson-Hamilton and Walter Bennett on October 4, 1926 in Belize City, Belize where she attended St. Mary's and Ebenezer Schools. Hazel was affectionately called Siggy by her classmates because she was always fighting to defend her friends. Hazel was an exceptionally smart student and always achieved good grades. Hazel attended Ms Trapp's Private School where she discovered her passion for teaching. So teaching is what she did. She got a job teaching at Ms. Panton Private School where all of her students loved her. Often times when out at various social functions Hazel would run into one or more of her former students. Hazel worked hard all of her life and performed a variety of different jobs. Hazel was an exceptional cook and was often asked to cook for others when they were having special events or parties. She would also bake pastries to sell for extra income. Hazel was a fantastic dancer and loved to dance.

Hazel met and fell in love with Herman Henry in March of 1958, they were married on May 1st 1965 and they remain married until this day. Forty-nine years of long strong and unchained love, from that union came four children. In July of 1961 she made her way to New York City to make a better living for herself and her family. She left her four oldest children in Belize under the loving care of their grandparents to pave the way for them to eventually join her in the states. Hazel took on employment as a domestic worker; whom all of her bosses loved dearly and respected even more, because whatever Hazel did she gave it 110%. Hazel went back to school at age fifty-five to pursue her Diploma and obtained her certificate in Bookkeeping.

Hazel always managed to see the good in every body and her doors were always open to everyone. Hazel loved the Lord and attended St. Angela Merici Church where she was a member for the past thirty-two years. She prayed & read her bible daily.

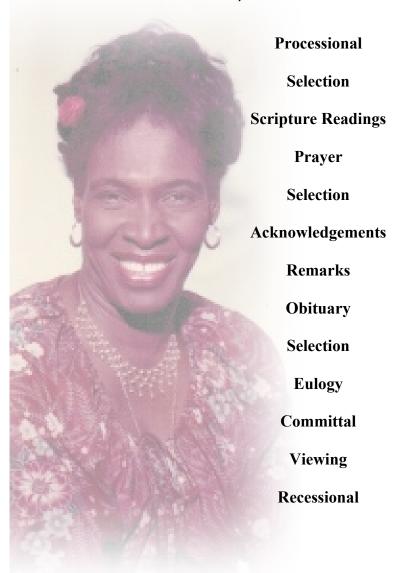
Hazel was a strong, outspoken & confident woman, and whoever had the pleasure of meeting her would never forget her. Many sought her out for advice on just about any and everything; she was very wise & always willing to lend a helping hand.

Preceding Hazel in death was her son, Edsel Jordan, daughter, Sherman Henry, brothers, Denfield Bennett, Raymond Lamb, and Franz Vasquez and her loving niece, Felicia Bent.

Hazel is survived by: her loving husband, Herman; her children, Ashton "AJ" Gordon (wife Rita), Jennifer Baird-Sampson (husband Stephen), James Alford (wife Josie), Karleen Henry (fiance John), Donaldene "Dee" Henry-Taylor (husband Kevin) and Renita Henry; sisters, Rita Duncan (Belize), Aloma Hamilton-Broaster (CA) Greta Bent, and Ethlynne Bennett (Michigan) Ivy Flowers (Chicago); brothers, Godwin Neal (Chicago), Winston Bennett (Belize); grandchildren, Ashley, Carlos, Albert "AJ", Allyn, Ashwan, Elizabeth, Anne, Ashanti; great granddaughter and her namesake, Hazel Holliday Henry. As well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, close friends of the family, and neighbors, who became "family".

Mommy we will miss you dearly and within each one of us you leave a piece of you we will forever keep. All of the discipline and morals you have raised us up with as well as your caring nature made us great adults and human beings and for this we are both thankful and grateful. You will forever live on in each of us and remain in our hearts and in our memories forever. We love you mom!!!

Order of Service



Interment

St. Raymond Cemetery Bronx, New York

Psalm 91

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, *Nor* of the arrow that flies by day, *Nor* of the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you. Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place, No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot. "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

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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