

In Loving Memory of



Ms. Joanne Hollis

Sunrise

October 5, 1960

Sunset

September 26, 2014

Service

Friday, October 3, 2014 - 10:00 AM

Mount Olive Baptist Church

216 Liberty Street

Plainfield, New Jersey 07060

Obituary

Joanne Hollis was born October 5, 1960 in Plainfield, New Jersey to Marjorie Hollis and the late Joseph Hollis.

Joanne was baptized as a child at the Second Zion Grove Baptist Church of Plymouth, NC. She became a member of The Mount Olive Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. H. S. Clipper where she served faithfully and continued under the late Rev. Donald D. Nichols, Sr. She served as a member of the Youth Choir, Nurses and Missionary Ministry.

Joanne attended the Plainfield School Systems graduating from Plainfield High School in 1978. Joanne furthered her education by attending the Sawyer Business School, Union County College and took certified courses at Rutgers University.

Joanne was the President of Elm-West Resident Association and a Certified Commissioner of the Plainfield Housing Authority.

Joanne was formerly employed by City Federal Corporation for fifteen years and All About Care. She volunteered her time to many community organizations; former member of New Jersey Resident Association of Public and Subsidize Housing, Inc. of Newark, NJ; former City Councilwoman of Plainfield, NJ; founder of two Drill Teams; founder of Elm-West Summer Youth Employment Program and the Elm-West Summer Camp Programs.

Joanne has been a community activist in the City of Plainfield for more than thirty years. She always participated in many organizations that offer positive encouragement to area youth and fair representation for the citizens of Plainfield and she was very instrumental in "Resident's Rights."

JOANNE WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT DOING WHAT WAS RIGHT AND WAS A VOCAL ADVOCATE FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF THE GREATER GOOD.

Joanne was preceded by her father Joseph Hollis; her sister, Pamela Hollis; maternal grandparents, Joseph and Ada Davenport and paternal grandmother, Gertrude Merritt.

Joanne departed this life on Friday, September 26, 2014 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ.

Joanne leaves to cherish her memory her mother Marjorie Hollis of Plainfield, NJ whom she describes as her rock, best friend and the "wind beneath her wings"; her son Danté Royster of Plainfield, NJ; daughter, Latice Royster of Plainfield, NJ; Keionte Royster the granddaughter that she raised; stepson, Richard Syed Best of Plainfield, NJ; sister Councilwoman Bridget Rivers of Plainfield, NJ; (Deena Davenport-Beasley (Ryan) as her sister also); half sisters, Robin, Sharron and Wendy Green of Plainfield, NJ; two godchildren, Anthony McDonald and Nyheim Rivers; fourteen grandchildren; aunts, Bernice (Ronald) Moore, Cynthia Casey, Georgiana Hunter; host of uncles, nieces, nephews; cousins, and friends and godmother, Lena Shaw.

A woman with a heart of gold, there is no limit to what she would have done or where she would have gone to help anyone. She was a resident with a brighter vision for a brighter day.

Submitted,
The Family

Order of Service

Processional Pastor Tracey Brown

Prelude

Musical Selection By Family Choir

Holy Scripture

Old Testament by Marvin Davenport - Nephew

New Testamentby Elder Keith Parker

Prayer of Comfort by Rev. Tracey Brown

Praise Dance by Tonda Pratt
Sharon Fowler Angels of Praise

Remarks

Pastor Campbell

Corey Trammell

Mr. Randall Woods

Pat Barksdale

Mayor Mapp

Resolution and Cards by Fred Akridge

Reading of Obituary by Mrs. Rosella Brackett

Hymn..... by Family Choir

Eulogy Eldress Bernice Moore

Selection by Family Choir

Parting Words from Family McNair, Davenport, Hollis, Royster, Rivers

Special Words from the Family

Dante Royster

Latice Royster

Nydi Rivers

Parting Viewing

Recessional “Meet You On The Other Side”

Interment

Hillside Cemetery

Scotch Plains, New Jersey

Pallbearers

Al-Mateen

Ryan

Nyheim

Derek

Jerrold D.

Saleem

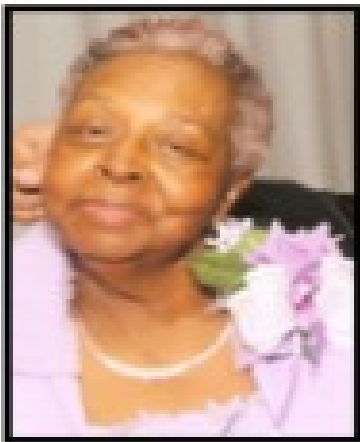
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Repast will be held at Mt. Olive Dinning Hall following interment.

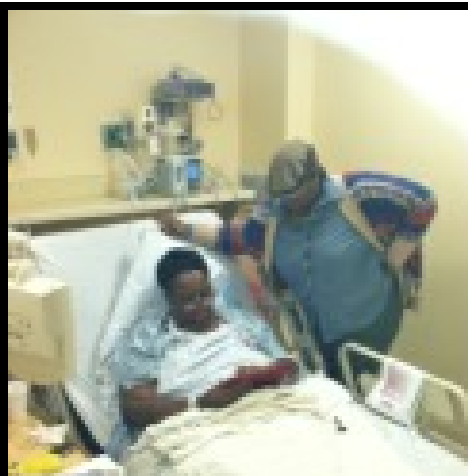
A Family that Prays Together Stays Together

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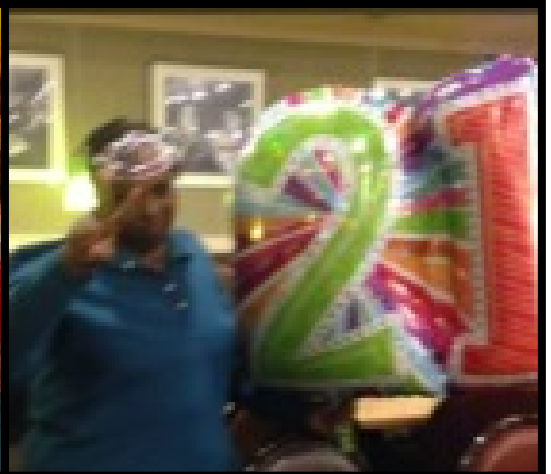


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An Eternal Memory...

...Until We Meet Again

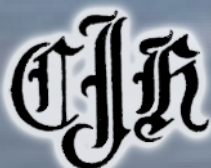
Those special memories of you
will always bring a smile
if only I could have you back
for just a little while
Then we could sit and talk again
just like we used to do
you always meant so very much
and always will do too
The fact that you're no longer here
will always cause me pain
but you're forever in my heart
until we meet again

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

Special thanks to her honorary friends: Patricia Barksdale, Cheryl Cabbell and also a very special thanks to Pastor Irene Campbell, Deacon Franklin D. Thompson, Gladys Thompson, Dianne Morrison, Kerry Trammell, Corey Trammell, Eric Spann, Lisa Parker, Deena Davenport-Beasley, Rosella Brackett and hair stylist and friend "Meeka".



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