



*In Loving Memory of*

*Blanche Bass*

*Sunrise*

January 17, 1942

*Sunset*

November 21, 2014

Service

Friday, November 28, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**MT. NEBOH BAPTIST CHURCH**

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## *Obituary*

**Blanche Eloise Bass** was born to the late George and Mariah Gordon Bass on January 17, 1942 in South Mills, NC. She was preceded in death by one sister, Shirley Marie Brite. Blanche was called home by her savior on November 21, 2014.

She graduated from Sawyers Creek High School in Camden County, NC. At an early age, she joined Mount Bride AME Zion Church in South Mills, NC and later became a member of Mount Neboh Baptist Church in New York, NY. Everyone called her “Bunny”. She had a heart of gold and was always willing to help anyone she could.

She is survived by: her five loving children, Denise White (Quintin) of Elizabeth City, NC, Dennis Bass of New York, NY, Michael Bass (Lolita) of New York, NY, Clyde Bass of New York, NY and Felicia Bass-Collins of Brunswick, GA. She is also survived by one brother, Daniel Blue of Chesapeake, Virginia; one brother-in-law, Lenial Brite Sr., of Elizabeth City, NC; fourteen grandchildren: Tevin White, Crystal White, Kiara White, Dennis Bass Jr., Felicia Bass, Michael Bass Jr., Jahnai Bass, Clyde Bass Jr., Cody Bass, Javon Bass, Brianna Bass, Janita Bass, Alicia Collins and R’Nelle Collins; four great- grandchildren, Harmony Bass, Anaiah Bass, Dennis Bass III, and Amyra Bass. Two nieces; Angela Riddick of Elizabeth City, NC, Darlene Cawthon of Los Angeles, CA; three nephews; Lenial Brite, Jr., of Virginia Beach, VA, Deric Brite of Durham, NC and Eliot Brite of Elizabeth City, NC; and a host of relatives and friends.

### *Come With Me*

*The Lord saw you getting tired  
And a cure was not to be,  
So he put his arms around you and whispered  
“Come with me”*

*With tearful eyes we watched you suffer  
And saw you fade away  
Although we loved you dearly  
We could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating  
Your beautiful smile at rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove  
He always take the best.*

*It’s lonesome here without you  
We will miss you so each day.  
Ever since you went away  
Each time we see your picture,  
You seem to smile and say,  
“Don’t cry, I’m in God’s keeping,  
“We’ll meet again someday”.*

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

*Interment*

West Lawrence Cemetery  
Elizabeth City, North Carolina

# *The Lord's Prayer*

*Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

## **FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND**

*One night I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord. Many scenes from my life flashed across the sky. In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand. Sometimes there were two sets of prints, other times there was only one. This bothered me because I noticed that during the low periods of my life when I was suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat, I could only see one set of footprints, so I said to the Lord, "You promised me Lord, that if I followed you, you would walk with me always. But I noticed that during the most trying periods of my life there was only one set of footprints in the sand. "Why when I needed you most, have you not been there for me?" The Lord replied, "The years when you saw only one set of prints, my child, Is, when I carried you".*

## *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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