

In Loving Memory of



Valerie Ann Robinson-Baker

Sunrise

April 9, 1965

Sunset

January 2, 2015

Service

Friday, January 9, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

Emmanuel Church of Christ

54 Irvine Turner Blvd. • Newark, New Jersey

Elder Julius Malzer, Officiating

*"I've lived this life, I love you all, I did all that I could do; I'm resting now,
in peace with the Lord but my spirit shall always be with you.
The love I had for each of you, even death can't take it apart.
I took that love along with me embedded in my heart."*

Obituary

Valerie Ann Robinson-Baker, affectionately known as "Val" or "Okiesha", daughter of Shirley Robinson and the late James Tyler Robinson, Sr., was born on April 9, 1965 in Newark, New Jersey. She spent her entire life here.

Valerie was raised in Hayes Homes in Newark. She attended Cleveland Elementary, West Kinney Junior High and Central High School in Newark. She was a very smart and intelligent student. She pursued a career in nursing after finishing her formal education. She received her certification as a Nurses' Aide. She loved nursing and had several live-in jobs caring for sick people.

Val had a heart of gold and she loved people of all nationalities. She never met a stranger. She was a respectable person and she demanded respect. She would tell you what was on her mind, as she was a very outspoken person, and she would put you in your place whether you liked it or not.

Valerie loved the Lord. He was foremost in her life. She thought the world of her mother and her family as a whole. Mommie, as she affectionately referred to her mother, was the apple of her eye. The two of them were inseparable. They had a bond that no one could separate. She was her mother's one and only daughter. Valerie also loved her two brothers dearly, and referred to them as Tee and Butter. Nobody had an Aunt Jean, who she referred to as Auntie, but Valerie if you let her tell it. She also loved her Nana, who she respected and adored. She was her Nana's only granddaughter. She would say, "My Nana prayed for me."

Valerie was preceded in death by her father, James T. Robinson, Sr., her brother, James T. Robinson, Jr. and stepfather, Tommy M. Ballard, all of Newark, NJ.

Valerie leaves to cherish her memory: her mother, Shirley Robinson of Newark, NJ; one grandmother, Albertha Fuller of Newark, NJ; two brothers, Torrence M. Robinson of Charlotte, North Carolina and Timothy Mack of East Orange, NJ; one sister, Regina Mack of Washington D.C.; five aunts, Barbara Mayo of Irvington, NJ, Delores Evans of California, Ruthine Brown of New York City, Shirley Brown of New York City and Louise Land of East Orange, NJ; three uncles, Willie Lee Brown of New York City, Edward Martin of Philadelphia, PA and Hunter Mayo of Irvington, NJ; several special cousins, James Knox, Julius Malker, Barbara Wortman, Theresa Oliver, Tommy Beathea, Amanda Beathea, Larry Thompson and Alterick Thompson; four special nephews, Isaiah, Hassan, Jabarie and Muhammed; and a host of other nephews, cousins and friends. Last but not least she leaves behind two very special friends, Joseph Peretore and Kevin Hall, both of New York City, and dear girlfriend, Lisa Whitlock.

Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Perry Gillespie

Scripture Readings.....Barbara Wortman
Old Testament
New Testament

Music Ministry.....Deacon Ernest Hall

Family Tributes/Special Tributes.....Family & Friends

Acknowledgements & Obituary.....Barbara Wortman

Eulogy.....Elder Julius Malker

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

*Immediately following the burial the family
requests your presence for the Repast at
Emmanuel Church of Christ*



God's Garden

*God looked around his garden
And found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face.*

*He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He always takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering,
He knew that you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.*

*He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids
And whispered "Peace be thine."*

*It broke our hearts to lose you
But you did not go alone...
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.*

Acknowledgements

The Family of Valerie A. Baker with deepest gratitude, acknowledge all of the cards, prayers, calls and many acts of kindness extended to them during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.

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