

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Alfreda Butler*



**Sunrise**  
**September 18, 1944**

**Sunset**  
**January 4, 2015**

**Service**

Saturday, January 10, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

**Stanly Barrow, Officiating**

## Obituary

**Alfreda Butler** was born September 18, 1944, in Charleston, South Carolina to parents, Alfred Leon Butler and Leila Butler. Her parents relocated the family to New York City in 1950 where her three brothers and five sisters remained.

She obtained her high school diploma in New York. She then met and fell in love with Russell Leroy Thomas, from this union came three daughters, one step-son and three step-daughters. Later she went on to marry Fredrick Bowe in September 1972. Unfortunately, they both preceded her in death.

She enjoyed working as a substance abuse counselor for adolescents in Harlem Hospital, a job in which she literally took home with her. Freda had a way of making sure that anyone in her presence would never experience a dull moment. The majority of time that came in laughter but at other times the form was different and those who knew her would have had the pleasure of experiencing that form also. She was determine to show her children different experiences in life. Listening to music and having family card games was how she relaxed sometimes, but anytime spent with family was the most enjoyable times of her life.

Alfreda was preceded in heaven by her father, Alfred Butler and mother, Leila Butler, her sisters, Patricia Jones, Corrine Manning and Linda Weeks preceded her in going home as well as her brother, Alfred Butler. She leaves to remember: her three daughters, Desiree, Shelia and Shirvana; god-daughter, Alexis Nichols; stepson, Stanley; stepdaughters, Valerie, Vernelle and Sharelle; sisters, Mary Hicks and Christina Butler; brothers, James Butler and Alan Butler, grandchildren, Ebony, Rodney, Martina, Michael, Malika, Malik and Chadaz; along with four great-grandsons and five great-granddaughters, sister-in-law, Bobrie Thomas; and a host of other family members and friends.

*Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

*Final Disposition*

Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

## *A Mother's Love*

*A mother's love is everlasting though the flesh is gone. The memories of joy and laughter will still live on I will always miss your voice and your presence I will remember all of the times we shared. Don't worry I will move on as I get in my car listening to your favorite song, "I Got Love On My Mind" - I know life still goes on as I start my days and end my nights my mother's love will embrace me tight. Feeling your presence and knowing you're there letting me know I have nothing to fear. I will then close my eyes and squeeze real tight then I will have a good sleep.*

*Mother you will be missed, but forever in our hearts.*

### *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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