

In Loving Memory of
Jeelyn May Simpson



Sunrise
December 4, 1936

Sunset
October 27, 2015

Saturday, November 7, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

CALVARY ROSEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
400 Main Street • East Orange, New Jersey
Reverend Veronica Palmer, Officiating & Eulogist
George Ronald Baltimore, Organist

Obituary

Icelyn May Simpson was born on December 4, 1936 in Friendship; a rural district in the mountains of St. Ann, Jamaica. She was the eighth child of Joseph and Ida Clarke's nine children. She graduated from the Mt. Waddy School in Friendship and soon thereafter moved to Kingston to join her older sister.

There she transformed into a "city" girl, worked various jobs and developed a passion for Political Activism. She was twice married, once widowed and is the mother of five children.

In the early 1980's, she migrated to the USA and settled in New Jersey which became her second home. She was a dedicated worker at Parkway Manor Nursing Home until her retirement.

Her children and grandchildren were the center of her universe, she would do anything and everything for them. Icy lead an active lifestyle. She enjoyed being around her friends and family, sharing stories of her life in Jamaica and talking Jamaican politics. She loved going to church and being in fellowship with other believers; she loved to sing "Just as I am without one plea" with her daughter-in-law when she visited their home.

Icy seemed to have boundless energy; often on shopping ventures especially to her favorite spot ShopRite, until about a year ago when she was stricken by a relentless illness. She escaped from it peacefully in her sleep on October 27th, 2015.

She is survived by her five children; Ranford (Yvonne), Julia, Anthony, Michael (Reta) and Derrick, one sister, Imogene, one brother, Justin, ex-husband, Kenneth Coley, twenty-seven grandchildren, great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, ex daughters-in-law, other relatives and her dear devoted friends, Pat and Ivan.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Cyril, sisters, Ismenda, Agatha, Louise, brothers, Cecil, Herbert and Sylvester.

In Thanksgiving for the Life
Of

ICELYN MAY SIMPSON

December 4, 1936 – October 27, 2015

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE..... “Amazing Grace”..... George Shearing
GATHERING “It Is Well”John Ness Beck
 “*What A Friend We Have In Jesus*” Michael W. Smith

WORD OF GRACE

GREETING

***HYMN**.....“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”UMH# 474

PRAYER

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

OLD TESTAMENT.....*Psalm 100*..... Candiece White (Granddaughter)

HYMN.....“Just As I Am Without One Plea”..... UMH# 357

EPISTLE.....*1 Corinthians 15:50-57*..... Kadeem Miller (Grandson)

HYMN.....“It Is Well With My Soul”..... UMH# 377

OBITUARY.....*Dr. Ranford Miller* (Son)

SOLO Ronald George Baltimore

SERMON.....Rev. Veronica P. Palmer

TRIBUTES..... *Anthony Sudlow* (Son)

Hubert Williamson (Nephew)..... *Yvonne Miller* (Daughter-in-law)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT..... Dr. Ranford Miller (Son)

SOLO.....“Does Jesus Care?”..... George Campbell

COMMENDATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

***HYMN**.....“Abide With Me”..... UMH# 700

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***RECESSIONAL**.....“Hallelujah”.....Handel Messiah

INTERMENT

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgements

The family of the late **Icelyn Simpson** Wishes to express their appreciation and sincere thanks to everyone For all their acts of kindness, outpouring of love and support during this time of bereavement Continue to keep us in your prayers.

God bless you all.

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