

In Loving Memory of
Amy L. Garrett



Sunrise
February 27, 1960

Sunset
December 18, 2016

Service
Tuesday, December 27, 2016 – 7:00 pm

Cotton Funeral Home
130 Main Street
Orange, NJ 07050
Emory Lee, Organist

Beloved

A Celebration Of Life

Our Friend, Our Partner, Our Sister

We still move in unison to the music of Parliament,
The Funkadelics and George Clinton;
Skating in the rhythmic beats of the sounds at Twin City.

Live concerts at Madison Square Garden
featuring the Isley Brother's.

And at School Stadium, when were not looking,
Earth, Wind & Fire penetrated
our souls with spirituality and hope.

OH GOD, in Hindsight, How you protected US!
Our dreams bonded us, Our sorrows forever united us.

We Love You Rita, We Love You Lori!!!

We are tenacious, We are bonded, We are united.

OH GOD, Thank You for the insight of friendship, it's invaluable.
Our individual journey's lead us on very different paths.

Twisting and turning, weaving in and out on
roads unknown; you Beloved are our touch-tone.

Loving us all genuinely, Loving us all equally.

“... Consider the lilies in the field,
how they grow; they toil not,
neither do they spin...” (Matthew 6:28)

OH GOD, In your infinite wisdom,
you brought Amy into our lives.

The color of Purple, your favorite of all;
it has become a book that not only exemplifies the bonding of
Sisterhood; it continues to ignite our most gifted qualities:
Loyalty, Peace, Dignity, Devotion, Pride, Wisdom, Strength,
Independence and Magic...

OH GOD, how BLESSED we are that you have allowed
Amy's Purple Rain to shower us.

As we continue on this journey called Life,
let us pause, take a moment to acknowledge
the gifts that has been bestowed upon us.

For a moment, let's be humble.

OH GOD, In foresight,
never let us forget that each day
is a blessing to be cherished,
To be kind and forgiving to each other.

“To Amy - To Beloved”

This our Swan song for you...

WE LOVE YOU...WE LIVE YOU - YOUR POSSE

Written by: Jacqueline F. Kirnon

Obituary

Amy Laurele Garrett, a former Language Speech Specialist for the Roselle Public Schools, passed from this life at the age of 56.

Amy L. Garrett was born on February 27, 1960 to Lillian Victoria Smith Garrett and LaGrain Garrett. She graduated from Orange High School in 1978. Amy earned her Bachelor of Science Degree from Hampton Institute and then her Master of Arts Degree in Communication Disorders from Hampton University.

Amy began her career at the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind in the Commonwealth of Virginia. A consummate professional, Amy spent most of her career with the Roselle Public School System. She was the recipient of several awards, including the New Jersey Governor's Teacher Recognition Award at the Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School.

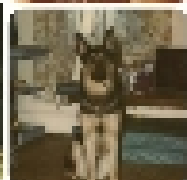
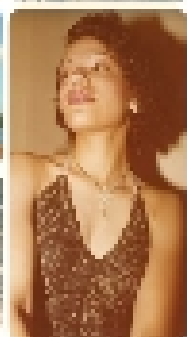
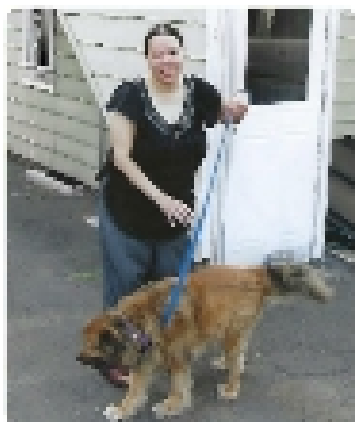
During her youth, Amy visited her mother's native St. John in the Virgin Islands and continued to do so throughout her life. The roots of her grandmother Chrystelina Bastian, step grandmother Myrah Keating-Smith and grandfather Allen F. Smith were most important to her.

Amy loved dogs, good music and had a loyal posse that began in middle school. Most prominent among them were Jackie, Michelle Kirnon, Karen and Pearl Watts and Sandy Gholson. They were in the Color Guard, OHS Boosters and Black Berries. They loved Earth Wind and Fire, the Commodores, Chaka Khan and roller skating at Twin City.

Amy had a quiet strength that came from deep inside, having been a follower of both Christianity and Buddhism, she acquired a spiritual balance. She had eyes that sparkled and a giving heart. Amy's nieces and nephews knew they could count on her for anything. She had hope, she had courage, and she had determination.

Amy is survived by two brothers and three sisters, Bruce Garrett, Mark Garrett, Paulita Garrett-AbouAly, Christine Garrett Davis and Dawn Garrett; her dear nieces, nephews and life partner, Greg Burton.

We Garretts, who stood "six strong," shoulder to shoulder will close ranks and keep Amy in our hearts.



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Pastor Warren McNeill
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Warren McNeill

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

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Eulogy.....Pastor Warren McNeill

Recessional

Matthew 6:31-34

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Psalm 46:1-3

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

Revelation 21:4

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Romans 5:15

But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

Philippians 4:6-7

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. Let all your things be done with charity.

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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