

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE
OF**

Cynthia E. Montague

Sunrise: February 22, 1941 - Sunset: May 15, 2017



Service:

Tuesday, May 23, 2017 - 12:00 Noon

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

The life of **Cynthia Montaque** began on February 22, 1941 to Albertha Montaque in Westmoreland Jamaica, the oldest of four girls. She attended Blue Fields School in Westmoreland but left school at an early age to help her family. She took care of her sisters while her mom worked many jobs to protect and provide for her family.

She remained in Jamaica until her twenties and later went to live with her mother in Freeport, Bahamas. She remained in Freeport for several years. She later met the handsome and charming Austin Noel and they were known to be inseparable. In March of 1971, they were happy and proud of their beautiful little girl they named Deon Noel.

Around 1974, she left Freeport, Bahamas by way of Florida and headed to Orange, New Jersey. In New Jersey, she worked as housekeeper for many years. She was trusted by and made friends with her employers. The Baers, one of her employers, were generous enough to sponsor her to live in the United States. As a result, she was able get her citizenship. She kept in contact with the Baers long after her employment and they remained great friends. As a result of that sponsorship, she was able bring Deon from Jamaica to live with her.

Since she loved to help others, she decided to get her certification as a CNA. She started working for Morristown Multicare Center in the late 1980's, which was later renamed Genesis Eldercare. While at Genesis, she made lifelong friendships including Euclin, Beatrice, Morris, the late Jesse, and Mrs. Cassiny. At Genesis she became union shop steward. She was trusted by her fellow co-workers to represent them fairly when they felt they were being unfairly treated.

Later Cynthia and Deon bought a two family home in Orange, NJ. Her neighbors knew her to be a kind and caring woman. Unfortunately, she later developed breast cancer. She passed away in her sleep on May 15, 2017 at 5:03pm at Clara Mass Medical Center in Belleville, NJ.

She is survived by her daughter Deon Noel, sisters-Minna Pinnock, Louise Blake and Rose Spence. nieces- Marcia South and Deon Dawkins, nephew Anthony Gordon. Grandnieces Rhonda Dawkins, Jzana Dawkins, Kadrea Dawkins, Tajanae Gordon and Nadisha South. Grandnephews: Kirk and Kian Gordon. Cousins-Alnora Finlayson, Judy Bryan, Tariq Bryan, Cadian Bryan, Courtney Campbell and her nephew-in-law, Lenroy Dawkins.

Order of Service

Processional Statement & Opening Remarks
BISHOP LENROY D. DAWKINS

Hymn.....“HOW GREAT THOU ART”

Scripture..... Rhonda - ECCLESIASTES 3:1-14

Prayer.....Rev. Audrey Manning

Hymn.....“BECAUSE HE LIVES”

Scripture..... Aretha Allen
PSALM 90:1-17

Song Selection..... Kadrea Dawkins

Obituary..... Jzana Dawkins

Address.....BISHOP LENROY D. DAWKINS

Prayers for Family.....Angie Middleton

Hymn.....“MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS”

Director's Instructions & Recessional
FUNERAL DIRECTORS

INTERMENT
Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

GRAVESIDE:

Liturgy: Bishop Dawkins
When the Roll, Is Called up Yon-der
When We All Get to Heaven
When I Get There
Oh, I Want to See Him

PALLBEARERS:

Lawrence Hines
Byron South
Tariq Bryan

Keith Jackson
Courtney Campbell
Bertram Gibson



*God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to me"
With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away
Although we loved you dearly
We could not make you stay
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.*

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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