

CELEBRATING
— THE LIFE OF —

Dornneth Skrine
"Yvonne"



SUNRISE
Thursday,
MARCH 17, 1955

SUNDOWN
Friday,
MAY 29, 2026

Friday, June 12, 2026 at 11:00AM

Fellowship Covenant Church
720 Castle Hill Ave, Bronx, NY 10473
Minister Maryanne Patterson, Officiating Minister
Minister Nyim O'Reilly, Organist

Order of Service

OFFICIANT *Minister Maryanne Patterson*

ORGAN PRELUDE *Minister Nyim O'Reilly*

PRAYER OF COMFORT..... *Deacon Debra Caldwell*

SCRIPTURE READING..... *Sis. Georgia Hall-Barnett*

Old Testament: Psalms 23 NRSV

New Testament: 2nd Corinthians 1:3-5 NRSV

HYMN *Congregation "Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

OBITUARY *Bro. Jermaine Guthrie*

SLIDE PRESENTATION

REFLECTIONS *Sis. Antionette Brown*

Bro. Steve McKnight

POEM

MUSICAL SELECTION *Congregation "To God Be the Glory"*

EULOGY *Pastor Kanyere Eaton*

COMMITTAL *Pastor Kanyere Eaton*

INSTRUCTIONS..... *Ross and Roden Funeral Home*

BENEDICTION *Pastor Kanyere Eaton*

RECESSIONAL *Family, Deacons and Pastor*

Acknowledgements

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

Obituary

*From the quiet hills of Spicy Hill in Trelawny, Jamaica, **Dornneth “Yvonne” Skrine** began a life defined by compassion, resilience, and quiet strength. Born on March 17, 1955, to Gloria Moore Spencer and Samuel Brown, she was known to her family and close friends simply as Yvonne. As her son-in-law, I lovingly began referring to her as Grandma Skrine, a name that was embraced by my immediate family who also came to know and love her. She grew up surrounded by family, faith, and the values that would guide her throughout her life.*

From an early age, Yvonne carried a natural desire to care for others. After attending Duncans All Age Primary School and Montego Bay High School, she followed that calling into nursing. For more than 30 years, she served as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Terence Cardinal Cooke Hospital, where her steady presence and gentle care brought comfort to countless patients and families. Nursing was never just her profession. It was an extension of who she was.

In 1976, Yvonne was married in Kingston, Jamaica, beginning a chapter of life centered on building a family. Among her greatest joys was her daughter, Marsha Guthrie, whom she loved deeply and proudly. Yvonne was also a deeply devoted grandmother to her two grandchildren, Christopher and Savannah Guthrie, who were truly the center of her world. She cherished the time spent with them, creating lasting memories that they will continue to hold close to their hearts.

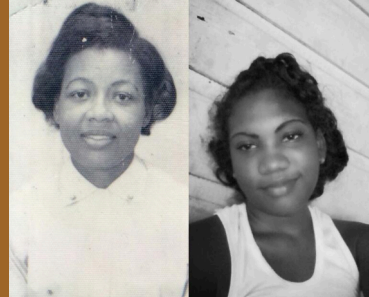
Beyond her work and family, Yvonne found joy in life’s simple, meaningful moments. She loved gardening, reading, taking peaceful walks, and listening to words that uplifted the soul. Her faith was a steady foundation, and worship was not just an activity but a reflection of her spirit. Those who knew her well remember her as someone who was spicy, outspoken, and independent. She always dressed to impress and carried herself with dignity.

Yvonne’s life was not without tragedy and loss, yet she faced each chapter with remarkable resilience. As a teenager, she survived a horrific car accident, a testament to her strength from an early

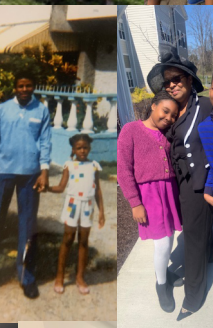
age. Not long after being reunited with her mother, she experienced the deep pain of her mother being taken away violently. Yvonne's strength remained evident, as she survived cancer in her 30s, and in her later years lived with early onset Alzheimer's before once again facing cancer with courage. During that season of life, she was blessed to be cared for by her devoted daughter, Marsha, and by Erna Kavanagh, another compassionate and dedicated caregiver for whom our family will always be grateful. Marsha, I know how hard it was to carry the weight of the care your mother needed at home. And yet, through that hardship, it was beautiful to see the healing that took place between you and your mother, and to witness the bond between mother and daughter grow and blossom in such a deeply meaningful way.

Yvonne was also preceded in death by her siblings Kerry Evans, Canute Evans, and Artley Lowe, and she held dearly the memory of each of them. Her life reflected a quiet perseverance that inspired all who knew her. She leaves behind, her beloved daughter Marsha, her siblings Patrick McIntosh and Beverly Burke, her grandchildren Christopher and Savannah and a circle of family including aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and loved ones many of whom are joining us today and will continue to carry her memory forward.

Though her journey has come to a close, the impact of Yvonne's life remains in the many people she cared for, the family and friends she loved, and the faith that guided her. Her story is one of service, enduring love, and a life lived with grace.









When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

by David M. Romano

*When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not here to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me*

*I wish you wouldn't cry
The way you did today
While thinking of the many things
We did not get to say*

*I know how much you love me
As much as I love you
Each time that you think of me
I know you will miss me too*

*When tomorrow starts without me
Please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name
And took me by the hand*

*The angel said my place was ready
In heaven far above
And that I would have to leave behind
All those I dearly love*

*But when I walked through Heaven's Gates
I felt so much at home
When God looked down and smiled at me
From his golden throne*

*He said this is eternity
And all I promised you
Today for life on earth is done
But here it starts a new*

*I promise no tomorrow
For today will always last
And since each day's the exact same way
There is no longing for the past*

*So when tomorrow starts without me
Do not think we're apart
For every time you think of me
Remember I'm right here in your heart*

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