

In Loving Memory of



Hyacinthe Audrey
Mc Kenzie

March 13, 1939 - August 13, 2026

Service

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Visitation: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Funeral Service: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Grace Christian Church

172 Willis Ave. • Mineola, NY 11501



Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Readings

John 14:1-3 - Paris McKenzie
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 - Daeja McKenzie

Prayer of Consolation

Selection

“O That Will Be Glory”

Acknowledgements

Tribute

Jamaica Black Nurses

Remarks

Miss Ventrice – Longtime Friend from High School
Mrs. Earnesteen Adams
Other Family & Friends

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Winston Jones – Brother

Viewing

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 • 1:00 PM

Pinelawn Memorial Park

2030 Wellwood Ave • Farmingdale, NY 11735



Obituary

Hyacinthe Audrey McKenzie was born on March 13, 1939, in Orange Hill, Brown's Town, St. Ann, Jamaica, to Elsie Brown and Gilbert McKenzie.

Hyacinthe lived a life devoted to faith, nursing, teaching, and service to others. Her love for the Lord began at an early age at Brown's Town Tabernacle Church, where she attended Sunday school and later became a Sunday school teacher. Throughout her life and travels, she remained deeply committed to her faith, teaching Sunday school and Bible study, coaching Bible quiz classes, and returning to Jamaica to assist with Vacation Bible School. She faithfully served in several churches, including Bellrose Assembly of God, Bethel Assembly of God, and Grace Christian Church.

Hyacinthe attended York Castle High School and The University of the West Indies before beginning her career as a registered nurse at the University Hospital. Her pursuit of education and professional growth took her from Jamaica to the United Kingdom, Canada, and eventually the United States, where she obtained a Masters degree in Nursing from Hunter College and additional education and nursing certifications from Medgar Evers College. Her passion for education also led her to serve as an adjunct professor at York College, LaGuardia Community College, and other schools, where she shared her knowledge and experience with future generations.

Hyacinthe was a beloved adopted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, mentor, and friend. She leaves to cherish her memory her brother, Winston Jones; adopted son, Dameon McKenzie; grandchildren, Daeja, Paris, Josiah, Jovaun, and Zariah McKenzie; great-granddaughter, Esmée Brown; and a host of relatives, church family members, and dear friends.

She passed away peacefully at home on August 13, 2026, at the age of 87, after a long and courageous battle with her illness. Hyacinthe will be remembered for her unwavering faith, compassionate heart, dedication to education, and lifelong service to others. Though she will be deeply missed, the lives she touched and the love she shared will ensure that her legacy lives on.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

- 2 Timothy 4:7

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

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the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

May God Bless and Keep You!

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