

CELEBRATING

The Life of

DEACONESS USHER

*Fannie
Moore*

July 23, 1925

August 19, 2026

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

VIEWING: 4:00PM - 6:00PM

SERVICE: 6:00PM

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

265 Bergen Street Brooklyn, New York 11217

Rev. C. Ramont Morris, Officiating Minister

Order of Service

Processional	“Soon and Very Soon” Ushers Grand March
Hymn of Comfort.....	Bethel Baptist Mass Choir “It Is Well With My Soul”
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1–8	Dr. David Lee
New Testament - John 14:1–7	Dr. David Lee
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. C. Ramont Morris Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church
Solo	“Old Rugged Cross”, Iris Cofield-Mann
Reflections.....	Angel Edith Cooper Deacon Curtis Lawrence Deaconess Ruth Little Usher Sandra Samuel, President of Bethel Baptist Joint Bd. of Ushers Usher Kenneth Robinson, President of Church Ushers Association of BKLYN & L.I. Usher Norman Whitfield, Chairman of the School of Ushering, BKLYN & L.I.
Reflections.....	Dr. Gwendolyn A. Wiggins-Walcott Barbara Byrd John Brian Bailey Rev. Akin Royall
Visual Tribute	Life of Deaconess/Usher Fannie Moore
Musical Selection.....	Bethel Baptist Church Choir “Oh, Don’t You Know, I Have No Friend Like You”
Reading of the Church Letter, Resolution & Acknowledgement of Condolences	Sis. Geraldine Payden
Reading of the Obituary	Kelona Pitchford
Sermonic Solo	Verneal Kizer-Cooper “The Battle Is Not Yours, It’s the Lord”
Eulogy	Rev. Jacqueline Barksdale Pastor of Brooklyn Tabernacle, Deliverance Center
Benediction	Reverend C. Ramont Morris Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church
Recessional	“The Family” “Let the Church Say Amen”

Graveside Service

September 19, 2026 at 12 Noon

Bethany Baptist Church

Clarks Hill, South Carolina

Rev. Russell L. Brisco

Prayer

Rev. Christopher March

Scriptures

Rev. Russell L. Brisco and Minister Freeman

Solo

Mrs. Stefanie Marshall Flono

Reflections

Family and Friends

Words of Comfort and Committal

Rev. Robert L. Ramsey

Solo

Jay St. Flono

Song

"Thank You Lord"

All in Attendance

A Generation Has Passed

A generation has passed. A nine Flono siblings: Millie, Allen, Henry, Sallie, Thomas, Adam, Rebecca, Robert and Fannie are now reunited. The oldies, Millie, lived to be 102 years and the youngest, Fannie lived to be 101 years old.

We praise the Lord for all He has done.

Obituary

The Life and Song of Mrs. Fannie Flono-Moore

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6 (KJV))

Fannie Flono-Moore was born on July 23, 1925 in McCormick County, South Carolina to Tommie Flono and Annie Collier-Flono. Fannie received her standard and religious education in a two-room schoolhouse on the grounds of Bethany Baptist Church, the congregation that served as the foundation of her spiritual knowledge and later through her baptism there at the age of 13. The youngest of nine children, Fannie found her innate compassion and strength in the warmth of a large and loving family, and her youth was spent learning shape-note singing, meter hymns, how to care for plants and animals, cooking, baking, mending, and the art of fellowship, talents and values that would shine through her in every moment of her life.

In 1938, the family moved from Clarks Hill, South Carolina to a house on a hill in Martinez, Georgia, and from there to Augusta, Georgia during the beginnings of WWII. Fannie worked as a domestic during the height of Jim Crow, but always said that the violence of that time did not touch her too much, for the tight-knit communities of Augusta had formed a hedge of protection around them, enabling Fannie to live a life under the Creator’s watchful care. Yet determined and destined to live a life of extraordinary experiences, Fannie was one of the thousands of Black Americans who moved from the Deep South to the North during the Great Migration. She made her way to Brooklyn, New York in 1947 at the age of twenty-two, joining her elder sister, Millie Mae, and her beloved aunt Pearl Marshall (“Aunt Honey”). While maintaining a daily living working for the Weinstein family, shortly thereafter Fannie joined Bethel Baptist Church under the spiritual guidance of Reverend L.T. Chapman. In 1952, Fannie met Woodrow Moore of Baltimore, Maryland at a social event for Black Southerners in Harlem, joining him in holy matrimony at a wedding in the spring of 1953 at Bethel Baptist Church. Their union brought four wonderful children into the world, Deborah, Patricia, Paul, and Mildred. After relocating briefly to Augusta, Georgia from 1954 – 1967, Fannie and her children eventually returned to Brooklyn, and she renewed her covenant under Rev. W.J. Hall after hearing the trial sermon of H. DeVore Chapman, “All to Jesus I Surrender.”

In 1971, Fannie began her career as an Aide for United Cerebral Palsy, helping to care for disabled children. Her church life reflected the same spirit of compassion, and her heartfelt dedication to the body of Christ was rooted in Ushering as a steward in God’s House. She served as a Recording Secretary for Usher Board # 2 under Genevieve Seals, and in 1973 was a delegate to the National Convention in Detroit, Michigan, sponsored by the Joint Board of Ushers of Bethel Baptist Church. She then went on to work with the Alumni Department of the Church Usher Association of Brooklyn and Long Island, under Anna Belle Jones. Her second convention as a delegate was in 1978 in Denver, Colorado, and she returned to more and more conventions, also serving as the President of the Usher Chorus of Bethel. In the early eighties, Rev. W.J. Hall asked Fannie to join the Deaconess Board. Eternally close to the will of the Creator in her heart, she was determined to take up the shawl of being a Deaconess only if she

could remain an Usher. After a prayerful consideration she was consecrated to serve as a Deaconess under Clara Grey. As a Deaconess, she spent many Sundays opening the doors of God's house through devotion and prayer, serving Holy Communion, and ministering to the sick and shut-in. She later served as a Chairperson for the Bicentennial Church Anniversary in 2006, helping her daughter Patricia lead a service of 100 Women in White. Thereafter she attended and graduated from the Community Bible Institute and Seminary under Apostle William J. Denson.

Fannie retired from her position at United Cerebral Palsy at the age of seventy-four, but her work was never truly done and she continued to remain an active member of various communities. Fannie's commitment to the Bethel family carried on as she supported many church functions with her skillful culinary hand, helping to fundraise during yearly bake sales at the Atlantic Antic Festival, serving sweet potato pie, coconut custard pie, German chocolate cake, cream cheese pound cake and sour cream pound cake. Holidays were enriched with her mastery of her famous Russian Tea. Every dinner party and gathering in her house was curated with the same duty and poise as every other aspect of her life. She was the epitome of the word Diva, remaining a fixture of elegance in the life of her family and the lives of her many chosen children and beloved friends, supporting them in all that they did. There was not a moment when she was unwilling to sit with you and give you advice, pray for you and care for you, or turn a witty phrase. A song of praise was always on her mouth and her spirit did not waver through any challenge life gave her. Fannie was never one to mince words, always saying what she meant and meaning what she said, speaking with deliberate truth at any moment. Through all of this, the lasting power of her character was seen clearly in the lives of everyone she touched.

On August 19, 2026, Fannie Flono-Moore departed from this earthly life gently and quietly at the age of 101. Fannie was the last elder of her generation, and the last known one to have remembered meeting a formerly enslaved ancestor, her grandfather, Charlie Flono.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory, three daughters (Deborah A. Moore, Mildred J. Moore and Edith "Angel" Cooper), one grandchild (Jay St. Flono), seventeen nieces and nephews (Madeline Flono, Georgette Flono-Williams, Bessie Flono, Fannie Flono, Maryanne Shaw, Sallie-Mae, Henry Flono, Tim Flono, Adam Flono, Jimmy Flono, Joe Flono, Patrick Flono, Bobby Flono, Ellis Williams, Paul Williams, Charles "Chucky" Williams, Robert Williams) five godchildren (Sanassa Burnett, Jenaya Primus, Saheigh Leveque, Eday Leveque, Bryan Bailey), close friends (Edna McCrea and Cory Jones Myers Valerie Burnett, Mary Mills, Mary Brown, Barbara Miller, Gladys Murria and Gwendolyn Wiggins-Walcott) and a host of cousins, great-great-nieces and nephews, beloved friends and neighbors who were blessed beyond measure to have known her in this life.



Precious Memories





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This Is To Certify That: Deaconess
Fannie Moore
IS A RECOGNIZED DEACONESS OF THE ABOVE NAMED CHURCH AND IS AUTHORIZED TO VISIT THE SICK IN HOSPITALS AND HOMES AND TO RENDER SERVICE WHEREVER DUTY MAY CALL. MAY GOD BLESS HER EVERY EFFORT AND CROWN HER LABOR WITH ABUNDANT SUCCESS.
H. Devore Chapman for Dr. H. Devore Chapman Pastor
Church Clerk





Acknowledgement

*The loved ones of **Deaconess /Usher Fannie Moore** acknowledge every act of love extended during our bereavement. Our prayers are with each of you and may the grace of God be with you.*

A very special thank you to VNS Health Services, Home Health Aid Ms. Sherrilyn Gentle and phone companion from Henry Street Settlement, Leslie Franklin and Julie and Randy Brinson.

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