

*Homegoing*

*Services*

*For*



*Vida*

*Bennett*

*From the ends of the earth,*

*I cry to you for help*

*when my heart is overwhelmed.*

*Lead me to the towering rock of safety. Psalm 61:2*

Sunrise August 28, 1930 - Sunset June 14, 2018

Saturday, June 23, 2018 – 10:00 am

**Elmwood United Presbyterian Church**

135 Elmwood Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey

## Obituary

**Vida Bennett** was born on August 28, 1930, in Trinidad and Tobago to the late Agatha Jack and Chefalous Bennett. She was one of five children. As a child, she attended Guaico Presbyterian School. After graduating from Guaico Presbyterian School, she relocated to Sande Grande. Shortly thereafter she met her future husband Cyril Brown. They fell in love and got married. This beautiful union produced seven children, Bernadette, Ann also known as Lima, Wendy, Kenrick, and the late Brenda, Keith, and Beverly.

In 1967, she migrated to the United States and settled in Brooklyn, N.Y. She worked at Polyclinic Hospital in Manhattan for many years. Vida was a dedicated and hard worker. Later, she worked at Prospect Avenue Nursing Home until her retirement in 1990.

Vida was known to all as a loving, patient, positive and compassionate woman. She was a great listener, peacemaker, and sound advisor. She dedicated her life to her family. She worked hard to take care of her children and did her best to provide them with all their needs. You would often find Vida cleaning and cooking for her family. Vida's grandchildren were her heart and joy, and she took pride in watching them grow. She always offered unconditional love, support, and motivation to succeed. Vida was always fashionably dressed no matter the occasion. She loved to travel, drink hot tea, and eat hot food. Vida loved spending time with her loved ones and always reminded them that family is important.

Vida peacefully departed from this earth on June 14, 2018, at Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, New Jersey.

Left to honor Vida and remember her love are her children Bernadette, Ann, Wendy, and Kenrick. Her fifteen grandchildren, Shawn, Allan, Alfa, Carla, Nissa, Akeem, Jovanna, Tameka, Ancil, Konelia, Leyana, Young, Robert, Avery, and Tahirah; twenty-three great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; Barbara Gamory; and a host of family members and friends.

Vida was predeceased by her husband Cyril Brown, parents Agatha Jack and Chefalous Bennett, daughter's Beverly Nicholas, and Brenda Bennett, son Keith Bennett, and granddaughters Michelle Bennett and Tiffany Bennett.

# Order of Service

Invocation

Opening Hymn..... Arcia Stokes  
"His Eyes Is On The Sparrow"

Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Tameka Martin  
(granddaughter)

New Testament Scripture Reading.....Kenrick Brown (son)  
1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

Reading of the Obituary.....Nissa Bennett Wells (granddaughter)

Expressions of Love.....Amanda Bennett (great granddaughter)

Solo..... Arcia Stokes  
"It Is Well with My Soul"

Eulogy.....Rev. Anita Wright

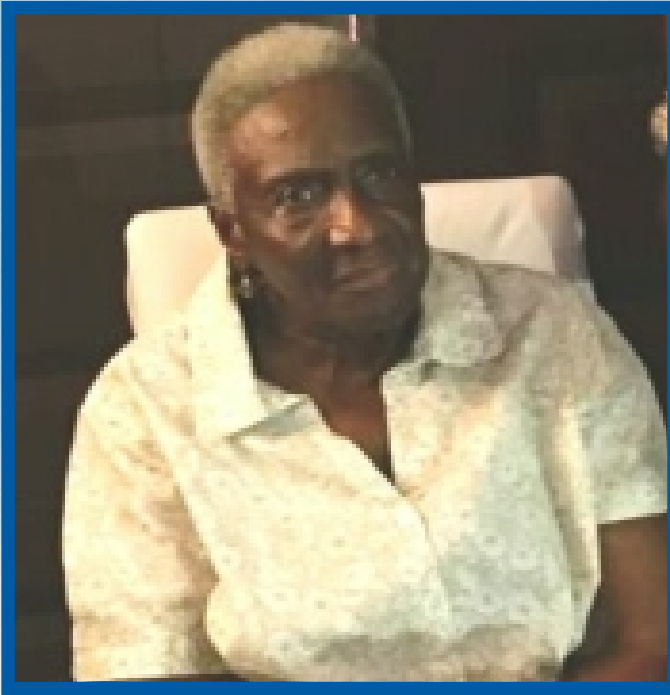
Benediction

Recessional....."I Believe I Can Fly"

## **INTERMENT**

Rosehill Cemetery  
350 E. Linden Ave  
Linden NJ 07036

*Repast to follow  
442 South Clinton St.  
East Orange, NJ 07018*



*"When the heart grieves over what it has lost.  
The spirit will rejoice over what it has left"*

### *Acknowledgement*

The children and family of **Vida Bennett** wishes to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

God has called Vida home. She has taken a place in Heaven next to God. She will never be gone if we keep her memory alive in our hearts. The family would like to say thank you for all your sympathy and will never forget all the kindness shown during our loss.

It was greatly appreciated.

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