CELEBRATION OF LIFE Claretta Beldora Caesar

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SEPTEMBER 4, 1923 – NOVEMBER 20, 2018

Saturday, December 1, 2018 - 9:00 a.m.

CHAPELS OF EDEN FUNERAL HOME

110 South Munn Avenue • East Orange, NJ 07018 Dr. Lael Caesar, Officiating Peter Caesar, Organist

<u>Obituary</u>

Claretta Beldora Caesar (lovingly known as May) was born in Ithaca Village, West Bank Berbice, British Guyana on September 4, 1923. She was the sixth of seven children born to Willie and Ethel Caesar. Her siblings, Harriet, Fredrick, Paule, Wilfred, Alan and Avetta preceded her in death.

As a young woman, May loved to sew, and after completing her elementary education, she relocated to New Amsterdam where she took sewing classes. She later moved to Georgetown and worked at Briana Shirt Factory as a seamstress. May was always interested in moving to the United States and after several years at Briana she achieved that goal. Upon her arrival there, she made a change in her vocation, and embarked on a career in healthcare.

She attended Nursing School in Brooklyn, New York, and graduated as a Home Health Worker. After working in that field for many years, May retired at the age of 75 and relocated to New Jersey to live with her son Peter, who lovingly performed the duties of caregiver until her passing.

May was a firm believer in organic herbs, to include the consumption of organic foods. She rarely visited the doctors. Most of the times, she prepared her own medicine which certainly did her body good. Her age is a testament to her health as she did not suffer during her last few days on this earth.

May had a lovely voice for singing. She could often be heard humming and singing those wonderful hymns of comfort, peace, happiness and joy, which brought her closer to God, her Almighty Maker. In fact, she remembered all the words to the hymns and always recognized her Father, God.

Another religious quest was that May, quite often, for long period of times, had her TV/Radio set to religious stations. She attentively listened to the word of God which were uttered by the preachers, to include songs. She would, then later at some time, preach to us about the word of God. That was a fantastic way to spread His message to others.

May enjoyed helping people and often volunteered at the Soup Kitchen in the Newark area where she served hot meals to the homeless and needy. She was often generous in giving her personal funds to those whom she thought needed financial assistance the most.

Life was not always a rose garden for Mother Caesar. She fought many uphill battles, but through it all she dedicated her four sons and a daughter to the Lord. She knew the value of a dollar, and she also knew God Who worked miracles with her finances, her children, and those to whom she shared His love. She loved the Lord, and when she was weak, He made her strong. God supplied her needs and He cared for her.

May died knowing that she would be missed by many loved ones. She leaves to mourn her children Carol (Thomas), Colin (Cherill), Peter (Carol), Lester (deceased), and Fred; her grandchildren, Beverly, David, Paul (deceased), Dorinita, Colin Jr, Desiree, Jeffrey, Irving, Andrew, Danita, Peter Jr (deceased), Lester Jr, and Akio; great grandchildren, Jamal, Dondrae, Daniel, Daige, Adrian, Anthony, Alyssa, Michael, Moriah, and Jessica; great great grandchildren, Gabriel, Nathaniel and Olivia; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. May was very proud of them.

We have come to fellowship and support each other in this our time of grief. Our night of mourning may be long and sometimes difficult, but we are comforted with the knowledge that joy cometh in the morning, Psalm 30:5.

In conclusion, we all love you. You will be cherished and missed by all of us who are your family, friends, and love ones. Good bye. Rest In Peace.



Viewing	Peter Caesar, Organist (Son)
Processional	Gordon Walton, Organist (Family) Minister and Family
Hymn of Celebration	"Because He Lives"
Prayer of Comfort	Dr. Lena Caesar (Cousin)
Musical Selection	Simone Marcelle (Family) Gordon Walton (Family)
Scripture Reading of Psalms 121	Peter Caesar (Son)
Obituary	Jeffrey Caesar (Grandson)
Reflections	Family and Friends
Expressions of Gratitude	Colin Caesar (Son) Cherill Caesar (Daughter-in-Law) Lester La Rose Jr (Grandson) Jeffrey Caesar (Grandson)
Musical Selection	Simone Marcelle (Family)
Eulogy	Dr. Lael Caesar (Cousin)
Closing Song	"When We All Get To Heaven"
Benediction	Myrtle Hensley (Family)
Postlude	Gordon Walton (Family)

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

Thank You and Acknowledgements

We, the Caesars family, would like to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, genuine concerns, kindness, and assistance which were shown to May and the Caesars family during her struggle and illness.

We hereby, without hesitation and reservation, wholeheartedly extend a very heartfelt thank you.

To: The New Jersey Hospice Medical Team consisting of Supervisor, Nurse Janice, Nurse Aid Chandelair, and many others. To: Chaplain Leo Santiago, Brooklyn, New York, who travelled on numerous occasions from Brooklyn to Newark, NJ, to comfort May with the word of God, and prayers.

To: Members of Temple of The Abundant Life, 296 Shepard Ave, East Orange 07018, who graciously provided an assortment of foods for a wake sponsored by them, to include providing foods and sponsoring REPASS in their church.

To: All family members, love ones and friends for their support, who were unable to attend the funeral due to illness/infirmity, and or long travelling distances (travelling from overseas to New Jersey).

To: Members of Brevard Seventh Day Adventist Church, Palm Bay, Florida; Dean Wood Seventy Day Adventist Church, Washington, DC; and Pennsylvania Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church (PASDAC), Maryland, who poured out their condolences.

May God Bless and Keep You The Caesars Family

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