

*Celebration of Life For*  
*Sydney Ann Washington*



*Sunrise: November 11, 1932*

*Sunset: February 3, 2019*

*“Death leaves a heartache no one can heal,  
but love leaves a memory that no one can steal.”*

Service

*Saturday, February 9, 2019 - 9:00 a.m.*

**GREATER ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. Dr. Barbara Evans, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Sydney Ann Washington**, daughter of the late Florence Hayes Evans and Richard Evans was born on November 11, 1932. She was one of fifteen children. On February 3, 2019, she passed away after battling several illnesses.

Sydney attended the public schools of Harlem, New York and graduated from Central Needle and Trade High School. Sydney met and later married Irving Washington on May 25, 1957, and through this union three children were born, two sons and a daughter. She was a hard worker and had the opportunity to work for the American Banknote Company as well as The New York City Board of Education, eventually retiring from both after many years of dedicated service.

Sydney was the type of person who would unselfishly help others when needed. She was also straightforward and believed in "telling it like it is". She was known for her humor and knew how to make people laugh and simply put a smile on their face. She loved dancing and listening to music of all genres and owned an extensive collection of vinyl records and albums.

She truly enjoyed spending time with family, friends and could make a stranger feel as though they knew each other for years. She was blessed with a wonderful spirit and soul which made her loved by many.

Her beautiful life will be forever cherished in the lives of all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her passing: her children, Brennan Washington, Glenn Washington, Sr., and Stephanie Washington; ten grandchildren, Tojaun Hawkins, Glenn Washington, Jr., Lawrence Washington, Nathaniel Washington, Andre Washington, Jason Washington, Jessica Washington, Gregory Washington, Ashley Burry, and Wayne Burry, Jr.; eleven great-grandchildren, Laurabia Washington, Devin Washington, Justice Washington, Empress Washington, Analise Washington, Aidan Washington, Brandon Washington, Maliyah Washington, Ryan Washington, Ka'Divine Washington, and Ava Washington; five brothers, Harold, Gerry, Reginald, Lloyd, and Jackie; three sisters, Florita, Loretta, and Fannie; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

# Order of Service

*Organ Prelude*

*Processional*

*Selection..... "Because You Loved Me"*  
*By Celine Dion*

*Prayer.....Dr. Reverend Barbara Evans*

*Scripture Reading:*

*Old Testament - Psalm 23*

*New Testament - Matthew 11:28-30*

*Selection..... "Jesus Promised Me A Home Over There"*  
*By Jennifer Hudson*

*Poem Reading..... "Gone From My Sight"*  
*By Henry Van Dyke/Read By Willie Bowman III*

*Poem Reading..... "She Is Gone"*  
*By David Harkins/Read By Julie Dauphin*

*Obituary Reading.....Ashley Burry*

*Selection..... "Precious Lord"*  
*Organist*

*Message of Comfort.....Dr. Reverend Barbara Evans*

*Final Viewing*

*Recessional*

## Entombment

*Trinity Mausoleum  
New York, New York*

## **Repast**

*Lambert Treasures Events  
New York, New York*



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## *Miss Me But Let Me Go*

Author Unknown

When I come to the end of the day,  
And the sun has set for me.  
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room,  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little, but not too long,  
And not with your head bowed low,  
Remember the love we once shared---  
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the maker's plan,  
A step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart  
Go to the friends we know,  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds-  
Miss me, but let me go.

## *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all those who have supported us during this time of loss. ~  
Love the Washington Family

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