

*Celebrating
The Life
Of*

*Mother Maybelle Michelle
Barnes*

Service

Saturday, June 29, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.

CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

131 Pomona Avenue • Newark, New Jersey

Elder Lenore A. Artis, Officiating

*"We are confident, I say. And willing rather to be absent from
the body and to be present with the Lord.*

2nd. Corinthians 5:8

Obituary

“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away.” Revelations 21:4

Mother Maybelle Michelle Barnes was born July 4, 1960 in Newark, New Jersey. She was the youngest daughter of seven siblings born to the late Mitchell and Juanita Pearson. Mother Barnes was united in Holy Matrimony to the late Alton Barnes. God called His servant home to eternal rest on Saturday, June 22, 2019.

Mother Barnes received her formal education in the Newark Public School System and was a graduate of West Side High School, Newark, New Jersey. She worked for the VA Hospital in Lyons, New Jersey for many years. She was also a crossing guard for the Newark Police Department, a Home Health Care Provider, and a loving caregiver to anyone who needed her assistance. The Lord blessed her with three biological children, however she always made room for one more. Mother Barnes had a genuine love and compassion for children. She opened her home and heart to raise, nurture, and even adopt a host of children.

Mother Barnes was blessed with a wonderful gift to sing praises unto the Lord. She would sing until she made herself happy and those who heard her happy too. Many people requested her to sing at services and affairs, but now she is singing with the angels in Heaven. Her presence and voice will certainly be missed.

Mother Barnes greatest passion was cooking. She cooked huge delicious meals throughout the week as well as Sunday's. When Mother Barnes cooked, she made enough for to eat right then and even to take some home for later. She also baked some of the best desserts anyone ever could taste. She was frequently asked to cook and she would prepare the meals with love. Mother Barnes loved to cook for church affairs and she especially loved cookouts and always had one for her birthday.

Mother Barnes accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age. She was a member of Rose of Sharon Baptist Church, Newark, NJ under the leadership of Pastor Marie Reddick. She also attended Highway to Holiness Church in Newark, NJ under the leadership of the late Pastor Rodella Bryant. She later united with Reach the Unreachable Deliverance Church, Outreach Ministry, Union, NJ under the leadership of Pastor Peggy Farrington, where she remained a faithful member for over 20 years until her illness. In Reach the Unreachable Ministry, she served as a leader for Family and Friends Day, Pastor's Aide, Youth Sunday School Teacher, and The Praise and Worship Team. She also sponsored a yearly day for food, fun and games for all the youth, church family, friends and the entire community. She named this event “Youth Day Explosion”.

Mother Barnes was full of love and compassion and very sensitive to the needs of others. She had a sense of humor, a warm heart and willing to help anyone no matter who they were. She touched a multitude of lives, and spoke the kindest words anyone could say. She was known by many as “Mom”.

She really loved and cherished spending time with her beloved grandchildren, Rashawn, Savannah, and Imani. They all had a special bond and connection with her that will be everlasting.

Mother Barnes was preceded in death by her three sisters Ounita Peterson, Annie Pearl Peterson, Christine Allen and her son Isaiah Terrill Peterson.

Mother Barnes leaves to cherish precious memories, daughters Angela Peterson, Ericka Barnes, Jasmine Barnes, Jennifer Barnes, Tiffany Allen, and Betty Allen, sons, Altawon Barnes, Jeremiah Barnes, Shawn Allen, and Reginald Allen, sisters, Mrs. Hattie Kinmans, Mrs. Irene Peterson, and Mrs. Mary Lee (Charles), brother, Mr. Mitchell Peterson (Deborah), sisters in Christ Evangelist Constance Latham (Dallas), and Elder Dianna Bryant, grandchildren, Rashawn Barnes, Savannah Peterson, and Imani Blakely, special cousin Jacqueline Mace, a special friend Bernice Green, a host of nieces, nephews, godchildren, relatives, friends and church family.

“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.” John 11:25-26

Order of Service

Pastor Michael Blackwell, Presiding

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Opening Selection.....“Lord I Just Want To Thank You”

Scripture:

Old Testament:.....Minister Donald Warren

New Testament:.....Pastor Matthew Peay

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Doris Ragin

Solo.....Evangelist Kim Bratten

Reflections: Please limit your remarks to 2 minutes

Sister Tina Darweesh

Brother Elijah Warren

Elder Pamela Grier-Hines

Apostle Vanessa Bohler

Bishop Ronald Warren

-Additional Remarks-

Solo.....Minister Debbie Blackwell

Acknowledgements & Obituary.....Elder Latasha Mace

Solo.....Elder Gloria Pittman

Eulogy.....Elder Lenore Artis

Invitation to Christ

Benediction

Recessional

Parking Instructions.....Funeral Director and Staff

INTERMENT

Hollywood Memorial Park
1500 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, New Jersey

*You are invited to join the family at Canaan Baptist Church
for repast immediately after interment.*

Pall Bearers

JJeremiah Barnes
Kenneth Campbell
Scooby Mace

Elvin Bratten
Dallas Latham
Kyree Vann

Michael Peterson
Leon Kinman

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Going Home

*Go rest now precious one,
Your life in eternity has just begun.
Now you can walk, your legs are brand new.
All of heaven is now in your view.*

*Look all around, look all around,
There will never be another dark night.
Flowers and jewels, the street of pure gold,
and all of the things that we have been told.*

*I can just imagine the smile on your face
as you walk all around in that beautiful place.
Greeting our loved ones as you walk along,
while singing heaven's most beautiful song.*

*This is so very hard, but it will all be okay,
it isn't goodbye, we'll see you one day.
We love you and we'll miss you and at times it will be tough,
but as with everything, God's grace will be enough*

Acknowledgement

We the family of **Mother Maybelle Michelle Barnes** would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends, relatives and our church family who have been so thoughtful and kind. Your prayers, many cards, visits, words of comfort and other thoughtful deeds will continue to be a source of strength to us. Special thanks to Mr. Mohammad and the Cotton Funeral Home Staff. May God bless each of you.

The Family

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