

*Celebration of Life*  
*for*  
*Vivian (Cook) Williams*



*Sunrise*  
July 30, 1939

*Sunset*  
June 25, 2019

Monday, July 1, 2019 - 7:00 pm

**MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
112-42 Springfield Blvd.  
Queens, NY 11429  
**Pastor A'Kim Beecham, Officiating**

## Obituary

**Vivian “Ms. Cook” Williams** was born on July 30, 1939 in Marion, SC to Mary and Joseph Simmons. Vivian later migrated to Harlem, NY where she was raised and attended NYC Public Schools. After her school years she later developed a love for cooking, which earned her the name Ms. Cook. Vivian went on to have four children Antoinette who preceded her in death, Jerome, Cynthia and Edna.

Once relocating to Queens, NY, Vivian showed her culinary skills while being employed at JFK and IHOP for a combined twenty years. She also worked with children with developmental disabilities. She continued to cook for the neighborhood and also took on another love as a foster parent, babysitter and just a general love for children and community.

She became a faithful member of Marantha Baptist Church for over forty years while serving on the usher board.

Vivian “Ms. Cook” meant so much to so many. She leaves behind not only a living legacy of family, but a living legacy of God’s love.

She has gone on to see her beloved mother and father Mary & Joseph Simmons, daughter Antoinette Williams, Siblings Evelyn and Walter Simmons and granddaughter Deana Williams.

Left to carry on her memory, her children Jerome Williams, Cynthia Williams (Keith), Edna Williams-Wicker (David), Timothy Simmons (AnaKay), Matthew Simmons (Alexis), Anthony Simmons, Shaniqua Williams. Grandchildren – Dawn Daye, Bernita Carson, Natasha Williams, Larry Smalls, Tiffany Shanks, Tyshika Hayes, Kia Wicker, Dominique Robinson, and Jihad Williams. Brother Ezra Simmons (Mildred) and a host of great grands, great-great grands, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Vivian also leaves to mourn James “Tony” Butler extended family members and caretakers.

Lovingly Submitted Family

## Order of Service

Processional .....Pastors and Family

Scripture

Old Testament: Psalms 23..... Pastor Darryl C. Fennell

New Testament: John 14: 1-3

Prayer.....Pastor Michael Ward

Selections..... Maranatha & Deliverance Baptist Church Choirs

Liturgical Dance.....Raven Rhodie

Acknowledgements,

Cards & Condolences..... Bernita Carson

Remarks (2 Minutes Please)..... (Friends & Family)

Obituary Reading..... Dawn Daye

Liturgical Dance.....Tashawna Jordan

Selections.....Marantha & Deliverance Baptist Church Choirs

Eulogy.....Pastor A'kim Beecham

Final Viewing

Recessional

### **Interment**

Ferncliff Cemetery  
Hartsdale, New York

## *God's Garden*

God looked around his garden  
And found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the earth,  
And saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew that you were in pain.  
He knew that you would never  
Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough  
And the hills were hard to climb.  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you did not go alone...  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.

## *Acknowledgements*

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation  
the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown  
to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!  
The Williams Family

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