

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Bernice Eleanor Williams Wright*

***Sunrise:***  
***November 22, 1937***

***Sunset:***  
***June 19, 2019***



**Service**  
***Saturday, July 6, 2019 - 3:00 p.m.***

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# Obituary

**Bernice Eleanor Williams** was born in Christiansted, St. Croix US Virgin Island on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1937 to the late Harold Burnett and Ilma Williams. She was the second oldest of that union. Her siblings were Harold Burnett Williams Jr. and Arlene Hicks who preceded her to the Heavenly Gates. Bernice also called "B" came to New York City at a young age to live with her father and stepmother Lewena Williams where she united with more siblings; Beryl Eastmond who preceded her in death, sister Aurea Anderson, brother Tyrone A. Williams and her youngest sister Leatrice Deanna Garcia. There has always been a very tight and loving relationship between her and all her siblings.

Bernice married Willie Wright and of that union three children were born; Leatrice Denise Wright, Derrick Michael Wright and Deidre Elizabeth Wright. After her marriage to Willie ended, Freddie James entered her life. In this union three children were born; Karen Wright Cook, Donna Wright James, Kevin Wright. Willy and Freddy preceded her to the heavenly gates.

Bernice met and married Jimmy Colvin and after several years their marriage ended. Bernice forged ahead and was a very determined, independent and loving individual. She was a hard-working single parent living her life around her children. She consistently filled her life with loving family members, friends and memorable events. Bernice believed in encouraging positive thinking in others. Bernice held numerous jobs the most memorable her nursing capacity. She was employed at Manhattan State Hospital on Wards Island, Harlem State Office Building and the Weston on 113th Street. All of these positions were in the psychiatric field inpatient and outpatient. After over 30 years in service, she retired and moved to South Carolina to leave the cold hustle and bustle of the big city.

Her favorite pastimes were family events, outings to casinos, watching basketball and her first love was trips back home to St. Croix to spend time with her sister Deanna.

She leaves to cherish her memories six children; Denise, Derrick, Deidre, Karen, Donna and Kevin; one brother and sister-in-law, Tyrone and Peggy Williams; two sisters, Aurea Anderson and Leatrice Deanna Garcia; 18 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, two great great-grandchildren, one godchild and her best friend since young, Patsy Singleton; plus a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, co-workers and all that knew and loved her energy and spirit.

# Order of Service

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

*Final Disposition*

*Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York*

**Repast at Canaan Baptist Church, 129 West 115th Street • NYC, NY**



## *Safely Home*

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;*

*Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in Heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder I so calmly  
Trode the valley of the shade?  
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined  
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me  
In that way so hard to tread;  
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,  
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,  
For I love you dearly still:  
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,  
Pray to trust our Father's Will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth -  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home:  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh, the joy to see you come!*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of  
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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