

In Loving Memory of



Juliet Melissa Ess

Sunrise: May 16, 1964

Sunset: September 20, 2019

Service

Thursday, September 26, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

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Obituary

Juliet Melissa Ess, affectionately known as “Bambi D”, and then “Ju Ju” in her later years, was born on May 16, 1964 to the late Mary Abraham and Amos Ess. As one of five children, Juliet attended New York City Public Schools where she developed a special love for art and photography. She took pictures of several neighborhood events, and with the guidance of her uncle, Shawn Abraham, developed them in her makeshift studio that doubled as her bedroom.

Growing up in Rangel Houses was Juliet’s launch pad into early childhood education. She worked at Rangel’s Prince Hall Day Care Center and eventually enrolled at Hostos Community College where she obtained her Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education. After several years at Prince Hall, Juliet moved her family to Connecticut where she worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant at The Greens at Cannondale Wilton Meadows Rehabilitation Center, and continued her love for children and joined the staff of Stamford’s Child Care Learning Centers. While in Connecticut, Julie obtained her Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from Charter Oak State College and unleashed her entrepreneurial spirit and became the owner and director of Bright Minds Day Care Center. Before she closed her doors she had over 10 employees and 40 preschoolers.

Juliet was a go-getter with unbelievable drive. She continued her employment at The Greens, and recently joined Bridgeport Public Schools as a substitute teacher. She was also pursuing her Master’s Degree in Education at Grand Canyon University before her untimely death.

She leaves behind to cherish: her father, Amos Ess; two sons, Darin and Clarence (affectionately known by his mom as “NuNu”); her adopted son, Ali Thiam (son of her late sister Rosemarie); two sisters, Tanya Ess-Young (Earl) of Powder Springs, Georgia and Christy Counts (Allen) of Norwalk, Connecticut; four nieces, Erika, Trinity, Tempest and Eryn; two nephews, Allen and Alex; her beloved uncle, Shawn Abraham (Barbara); and a host of loving cousins, relatives, and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

*Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

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kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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