

November 7, 1950 - January 2, 2020

Service

Saturday, January 11, 2020 • 1:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

OBITUARY

Desiree Ann Barker, age 69, passed away on January 2, 2020. She was born in Georgetown, Guyana on November 7, 1950, to Victorine Hopkinson and Leroy Etienne Baptist.

Desiree was the youngest of six girls, Joan, Yvonne (Deceased), Norma (Deceased), Gloria, Colleen and Michelle. As a young girl, Desiree's passion for Culinary Arts led her to pursue a career as a chef in the office of the President. Desiree met and married Gilbert Barker on December 6th, 1969. They spent many beautiful years in Guyana sharing their lives and creating their family. In 1989, she emigrated to the United States of America and became employed at Newark Beth Medical Center. After years of service there, she began working at Saint Ann's Villa and subsequently retired from there in 2018.

Desiree was called home to be with the Lord, on Tuesday, January 2, 2020. Desiree is survived by a loving husband, Gilbert Barker; three beautiful children: Keith Barker, Tamara Barker, Kirk Barker, Wonderful Grandchildren: Marquise, Keithen, Taren, Aaron (deceased) and Tatyanna; lovable Great Grandchildren: Jayvion, Jewell, J'Elle and Kingston; and a number of other loving and supportive family members and close friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Open Prelude
Processional
Selection"My Help Rendition" by Carrone Kyte
Prayer
Scripture Reading Old Testament: My Help - Psalms 121 New Testament: I Can Do All Things Through Christ - Philippians 4
Selection "Rendition Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Savior" by Carrone kyte
Tributes
Family and friends (please limit to 3 minutes)
Obituary Reading
Selection"Ride Out Your Storm" By Carrone Kyte
Messages of Comfort
Final Viewing
Recessional

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WAITING AT HEAVEN'S DOOR BY HELEN STEINER RICE

Death beckoned her with outstretched hand And whispered softly of an unknown land, But she was not afraid to go For though the path she did not know She took death's hand without a fear For God who safely brought her here Had promised He would lead the way Into eternity's bright day. For none of us need go alone Into the valley that is unknown, But, guided by our Father's hand We journey to the promised land. She was your special loving Mother You shared your lives with one another, And you'll find comfort for your grief In knowing her death brought sweet relief. For, now she is free from all suffering and pain And your great loss became her gain... You know that her love is with you still For she loved you in life and always will. Love like hers can never end Because it is the perfect blend Of joy and sorrows, smiles and tears, That just grew stronger with the years. Love like hers can never die For she's taken it with her to the sky... So think of Mum as living above No farther away than your undying love, For now she is happy and free once more And she's waiting for you at Heaven's door.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of **Desiree Barker** acknowledges with sincere appreciation, the comforting messages, loving visits and other expressions of kindness, during this time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep you all.

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