



**In Loving Memory of**



**Marie Simone Baptiste**

*Sunrise*  
**September 12, 1949**

*Sunset*  
**January 22, 2020**

*Service*

***Saturday, February 1, 2020 • 9:00 a.m.***

**EGLISE METHODISTE UNIE HAITIENNE**  
**37 Union Ave. • Irvington, New Jersey**



# Obituary

Marie Simone Baptiste, born on September 12, 1949 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, was the youngest child of her mother, Inelia Simon, and beloved daughter of Iverne Louis. In her childhood, she loved the offering words of encouragement, sharing, eating mangos, and spending summer vacations in “petite revière de l’artibonite” with siblings. Simone migrated to America in 1978 and helped paved the way for family members back in Haiti to follow in her footsteps into a better quality of life. So not to forget her roots, she also enjoyed committing time to send money, barrels of clothes, and other resources to family and friends in Haiti.

Simone was a very active member of the Haitian community. A dedicated member of the Eglise Methodiste Unie Haitienne, she lived a Christian life that beautifully flourished like flowers. Most notably, she was nominated and awarded mother of the church for several years; was a devout member of the chorus, always attended Friday reunions of prayer; was loved for “coffee break” meals, and never failed to encourage her grandchildren to attend service, because as she would always say, “pa gen anyen serye nan la vie an.” There is no doubt that she was a humble servant of God.

She was a loving and exceedingly giving person. She lived life to the fullest. She was the kind of person who seldom let the troubles of daily life sway her from her innate altruism. She had a beautiful infectious smile, and upheld herself and family to a high standard. Not even her diminishing health could bring her spirit down enough to suppress the beauty in her personality and kind spirit. She lived a simple and frugal life, yet wholeheartedly provided things that had a lasting effect on the lives of her loved ones. A genuine woman of substance, Manman/Granmè/Tatie/Sr. Simone leaves behind an extraordinarily expansive love that allows her to forever live in the hearts she touched. She quietly departed this life Wednesday, January 22, 2020, in the comfort of her home. Her husband, Pierre Yves Baptiste, preceded her in death.

Simone leaves behind to carry on and cherish her memory; her sons Leonard Pierre Louis, Clark Baptiste and James Baptiste; grandchildren Andrew Louis, Tamara Louis, Jennifer Baptiste, Stephon Louis, Kiyore Baptiste and Socrates Sardiniey; great-grandchildren Julius Anderson, Imanni Louis and Annaleah Sardiniey; her siblings: Dorsainvil Lafond, Andre LaFleur, Junie Jean-Pierre, Irma Louis, Ferdinand Louis, Andre Louis, and Marie-Ange Louis. She was an extended mother to all of her nieces and nephew, and church friends that became family. Survived by her in-laws, the Baptiste family.

She will be missed by her daughter-in-law Marie Louis; nieces and nephews: Nadine Lafond, Jean-Renee Lafond, Marie-Andre Lafond, Marie Patricia Lafond, Frantz, and Rachelle Lafond, Andre JR and Gerald Lafleur, Shirley Lafleur-Antoine, Tamika Datus and Junior Louis; cousins: Eliane Simon, Calixte Marcelus, Yvette and Dieudonne Augustin; Olida Bogelin and Jean Simon family, St Juste family, Raphariel family, Jeannot family, Louis, Etiete, Ameris family, and Pierre-Louis family. And all of her extended family. The family extends a special thanks to Rose Etienne for her help in the day-to-day care of Simone in her last days. Granmè was very grateful for Rose’s kindness.

# Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks  
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

<p><b><u>ENTOMBMENT</u></b> Hollywood Cemetery Union, New Jersey</p>
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## **Acknowledgement**

The family of **Marie Simone Baptiste** wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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