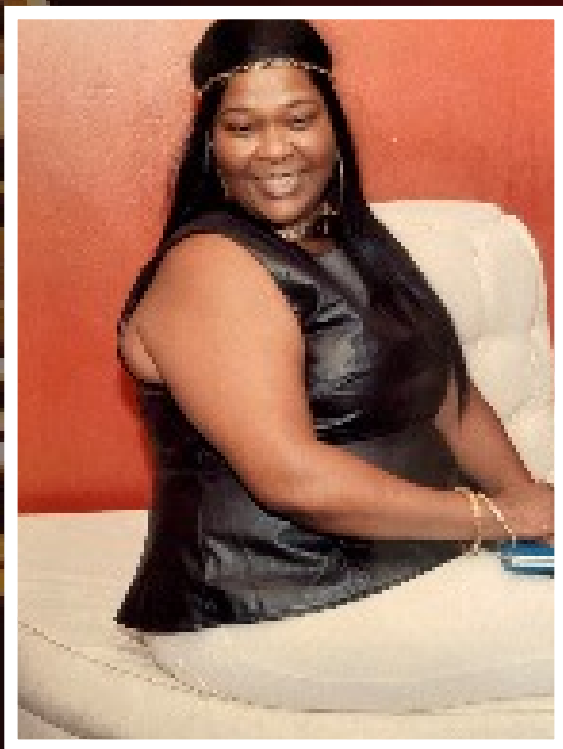


*In Loving Memory of*



*Belinda Benbow*

*Sunrise*  
*August 5, 1973*

*Sunset*  
*February 4, 2020*

*Service*  
*Thursday, February 13, 2020 • 12:00 Noon*

**CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
535 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Paterson, New Jersey  
*Rev. Barry L. Graham, Officiating*

## *Reflections of Life*

Belinda “Mert” Benbow was born on August 5, 1973 in Paterson, NJ. She was the daughter to the late Betty (Benbow) Watkins and W.J. Harris. She resided in Paterson her entire life. She was educated in the Paterson School system.

Belinda was employed as a Certified Nursing Assistant for over twenty years. She began her career at Preakness Healthcare Center in Wayne, NJ and ending at the Riverview Post Acute Care Center of Paterson.

Belinda’s hobbies included spending time with her family members, cooking and creating unique names for loved ones to name their children.

She was preceded in death by both of her parents as mentioned above along with maternal grandparents, James and Beulah Benbow as well as paternal grandparents Wiley and Bertha Harris.

Belinda departed this life on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 in Paterson, NJ.

Belinda leaves to cherish fond memories: two daughters, Eltaneilya George and Adiva Riddick; one son, Nahciir Benbow; three sisters, Veronica Benbow of Paterson, NJ, Darcell Marshall (Henry) of Charlotte, NC, Cherryl Allen (Cleveland) of Paterson, NJ; four brothers, Jamal Benbow (Sabrina) of Fair Lawn, NJ, Darryl Melton (Shirley) of Paterson, NJ, Damon Melton (Anyi) of Paterson, NJ and Jermaine Melton of Charlotte, NC. She is also survived by four precious grandchildren; best friend, Shelly Walker; along with a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

# *Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Poem  
Eltaneilya George

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort  
Pastor Barry L. Graham

Recessional

## **Final Disposition**

Cedarlawn Crematory  
Paterson, New Jersey

# *Peace Be Thine*

God saw you were getting weary  
So he did what he thought was best.

He came and stood beside you  
And whispered "**Come And Rest.**"

You bade no one a last farewell,  
No, not even a goodbye.

You were gone before we knew it,  
And only God knows why.

We shall forever cherish the love,  
And memory of you.

You have been everything to us  
A daughter, a mother, a sister,  
an aunt, a niece, a friend.

God saw the road was getting rough,  
The hills so hard to climb.

So he gently closed your loving eyes  
And whispered, "**Peace Be Thine.**"

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Belinda Benbow** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our family during this our time of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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