

In Loving Memory of



Doreen E. Williams

Sunrise
November 20, 1934

Sunset
February 28, 2020

Memorial Service

MT. BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
399 S. Broad Street, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450
Rev. Gloria Nobles, Officiating

Doreen's Journey

Born to Charles and Gladys Earle, Duncans, Trelawny, Jamaica West Indies, Doreen Williams was affectionately called Eva in her younger days. She attended and graduated from Duncans All Age School, and after declining the offer to further her academic education, she decided to pursue an entrepreneurial career.

Doreen's first employment, however, was with the Chief Magistrate (Custos) Trelawny, but eventually left to pursue her dreams. She invested much of her time and skills in the food management business with the Dairy Farmers Company and within a short time owned and operated two franchises of the company. She became a well-known businessperson and her enthusiasm advanced her to affluence and respect among her peers and associates.

Doreen immigrated to this country in 1986 and joined Shirley and Jerry Birenz family. She enjoyed her activities in her adapted environment and helped with the nurturing of Hannah and Jessica from toddlers until they left for college. She had a beautiful personality and always made people around her comfortable. She also worked at Sunrise Assisted Living in Paramus, New Jersey and retired after 10 years of service.

Doreen was a firm believer in Jesus and her faith was very strong. She joined Mount Bethel Baptist Church in 1986 where she cultivated and developed close relationships. She was an active member and at different times served with the Usher Board, where she was always on post, the Missionary, deaconess, Hospitality and Publicity Committee, and President of the Junior Ushers.

Her most public, prestigious achievement came on January 15, 2018 when she received a Martin Luther King, Jr. award for her devotion and dedicated service of more than 30 years to the Ridgewood and Glen Rock Committee. She was also a faithful member of the Order of the Lamp for over 25 years.

She is survived by her three sons, Ralston Dixon (Marjorie), Mark Williams (Bernadette), and Maurice Williams, eleven grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. Also in mourning are her immediate relatives: The Bedfords, Drummonds, Earles, Hibberts, Nembhards, Palmers, Spencers and a host of close friends and extended Mount Bethel family.

Order of Service

Processional..... Hold to God's Unchanging Hand (404)

Hymn of Comfort Oh I Want to See Him

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 23 Ralph Palmer

New Testament: John 14:1-6Mark Williams

Prayer of Comfort Minister

Selection Mount Bethel Choir

ReflectionHyacinth Drummond

Acknowledgements Cathy Hamilton

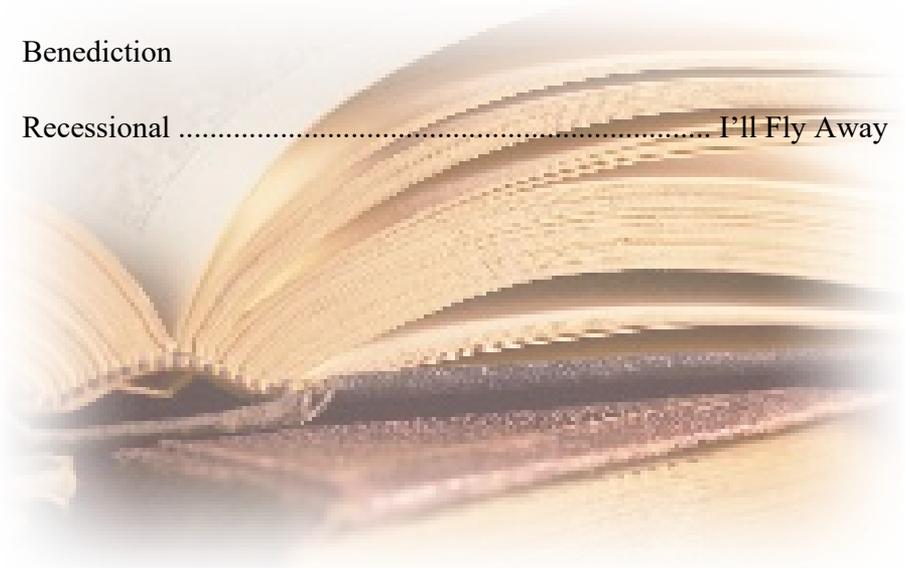
Doreen's Journey Giovanni Earle

Selection Desmond Bailey

Eulogy..... Reverend Gloria Nobles

Benediction

Recessional I'll Fly Away



Footprints

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD. When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life. This really bothered her and she questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me." The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Doreen E. Williams** 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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