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Sunrise September 15, 1927 Sunset September 27, 2020

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Service: Friday, October 2, 2020 - 11:00 am

McCall's Bronxwood Funeral Home 4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466



Lillie Mae Smith, 93, passed away on Sunday September 27, 2020 at Kings Harbor Nursing Home in the Bronx. She was born on September 15, 1927 to Laura Parker and William Lewis in Slaggers, West Virginia. In 1941 she married Robert Minnis and to this union seven children were born. Wanting a better life for her family, she migrated to Bronx, NY. With only an eighth grade education and much perseverance, she was able to become the head chef at Manhattan University Hospital for 35 years retiring in 1992.

Lillie Mae was a devoted mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was the cornerstone of her family and loved by all. She enjoyed being around people and was an active member of the Burke Avenue Senior Center. Lillie Mae also loved traveling . She loved music and dancing and would often show off her dancing skills. Among her many talents, Lillie Mae was a wonderful cook but would never reveal her secret recipes. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends and all who knew her. Her infectious smile would light up a room and draw people to her. Lillie Mae's kindness and generosity was known by many.

Lillie Mae was predeceased by her husband Robert Minnis, four sons Bobbie Minnis, Rudolph Minnis, Ronald Minnis and Karl Minnis (Sherry) and a daughter Alice Murray. She is also predeceased by her siblings, Anna Mae, William (Buddy), Ean and Bethena. She is survived by her son Tyrone Minnis (Joan) and a devoted daughter Gwendolyn Minnis and a host of nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

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Processional

Selection 'Precious Lord Take My Hand'
PrayerElder Karl McPherson
Scriptures Marcie Fraser-Minnis Old Testament: Psalms 23:1-6 New Testament: St. John 14:1-3
Selection'His Eye is On Sparrow'
Tributes
Obituary & Acknowledgement Imamu Minnis
Selection 'I'll Fly Away'
Eulogy Elder Karl McPherson
Viewing

Committal

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A Mother's Love Is Being happy for her children When they are happy Being sad for her children When they are sad Being together in good and bad times. A Mother's Love is a source of strength A Mother's Love Is Being honest with herself at all times Being honest with her children at all times Talking, listening and respecting the truth and never pretending A Mother's Love is the source of reality. A Mother's Love Is An understanding so complete that she feels as if she is a part of her children Accepting her children just the way they are And not trying to change them into being something else A Mother's Love is the source of unity. A Mother's Love Is The freedom to pursue her own desires while sharing her experiences with her children The growth of her individuality along with the growth of her children's individuality A Mother's Love is the source of success. A Mother's Love Is Knowing that her children will always be with her **Regardless of what happens** Missing her children when they pass But knowing that they are near in her heart A Mother's Love is the source of security. Most of all a Mother's Love is Forever!

Acknowledgments

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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