

In Loving Memory of



Emma Boynton

Sunrise
December 19, 1930

Sunset
October 14, 2020

Service:
Friday, October 23, 2020 - 12:00 Noon

MCCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME
4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466
General Eld. G. Whitehurst, Officiating
Terrell King, Organist

Obituary

Emma was our family treasure, now gone on to be with the Lord forever. Born to John and Julia Boynton in Charleston, South Carolina, Aunt BabyLou as she was affectionately called, grew up and was educated in New York City. In her young adult years, she served as Church choir director, learning music and piano with little training. She continued to read her Bible and trust in the Lord throughout her life. Emma moved to Los Angeles CA a young lady in her 20's, worked exceptionally hard to educate herself to obtain a bachelors and master's degree in education, and pursued a challenging 35 years' career as an outstanding educator of young children ages 6 through 12 in the Los Angeles elementary school system, contributing her special brand of high quality education into the lives of many thousands of young students.

After retiring in 1995, Emma moved back to NY to be with her sister Alma Marie Meriweather whom she took care of when she was ill. Emma loved her family, and through the years helped them with various financial needs, and was always there for so many other extended family members. She always had a generous and giving spirit.

Emma had an enormously attractive personality filled with charisma and "presence", which worked well in her career and with everyone she met. When she told a joke, everyone laughed, but when she was upset, everyone was affected. She had a way of making friends with everyone, and everyone quickly grew attached to her. She especially enjoyed a large number of very nice friends and colleagues in Los Angeles who remained close to her throughout all these years.

"Wash your hands! Did you wash your hands? I always wash my food with soap and bleach!" These are some of the directives we heard from Emma quite frequently. Because of this great woman, we all learned to be serious about cleanliness, education, manners, good English diction, and to have respect for our family and elders.

Emma was a world traveler, having traveled internationally in her younger years to several European and other countries. She was a woman who could achieve anything she wished to achieve. Anyone who knew her would say that she accomplished all she wanted to do in life. There was nothing she wanted to do in life that she did not accomplish!

After losing her sister Alma, Emma continued to live in the home of her parents until her final days. Emma was always independent, unmarried and had no children, and yet so many family members felt she was their beloved Aunt, close relative, or friend. She was like a Mother to Joiava and Joey who cared deeply for her and Alma.

Emma leaves behind many cousins who held her most dear to their hearts and especially her namesake EmmaMarie and a long list of wonderful close friends, Sarah, Pat Dorothy and admirers. We will all miss her dearly.

We, the family and friends of Emma Louise Boynton, celebrate her life, all of her accomplishments, and all the many wonderful years we were able to bask in her brilliant glow.

Tearfully submitted by the family, for a life outstandingly lived!

Order of Service

Processional

The Family

Selection

“Thank You Lord” - Terrell King

Prayer

Terence King

Scriptures

Deonte Thompson

Old Testament- Psalms 46:1-11

New Testament - John 11:25-26

Selection

“Can't Nobody Do Me Like Jesus” - Terrell King

Tributes - (2 Minutes)

Vonetta Carter,

Christina Criss,

Chrisella Wright,

Melody Thompson

Obituary & Acknowledgements

Christina Criss

Selection

“Believe I'll Testify While I Have A Chance” - Terrell King

Eulogy

General Eld G Whitehurst

Viewing

McCalls Funeral Home

Committal

General Eld G Whitehurst

Benediction

General Eld G Whitehurst

Recessional

“I'll Fly Away” - Terrell King

Interment

Kensico Cemetery

Valhalla, New York

I'm Free



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.

I'm following the path
God has chosen for me.

I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
to laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;

I've found now peace
at the end of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
then fill it with remembered joys.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Oh yes, these things, I too will I miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
look for the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much;
good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
don't lengthen your time with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and peace to thee,
God wanted me now – He set me free.

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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