

Maureen Veronica Cummings

Sunrise July 14, 1944

Sunset February 27, 2021

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> St. Mark Episcopal Church Reverend Irma Watson, Officiating

Order of Service

Music Prelude (Pianist)

Procession

Opening Congregational Hymn: Amazing Grace

Opening Prayer and Introduction: Words of Comfort

Scripture/Readings

Job 19: 21-27

21"Have pity on me, my friends, have pity, for the hand of God has struck me. 22 Why do you pursue me as God does? Will you never get enough of my flesh? 23 "Oh, that my words were recorded, that they were written on a scroll, 24 that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead, or engraved in rock forever! 25 I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. 26 And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; 27 I myself will see him

with my own eyes—I, and not another.

How my heart yearns within me!

2 Corinthians 4:16

16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

2 Corinthians 5:9

9 So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

Psalm 23

1The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.









2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no



evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Revelations 21: 3-4

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more



death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

John 11: 21-27

21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will grant you." 23 Jesus replied, "Your brother will come back to life again." 24 Martha said, "I know that he will come back to life again in the resurrection at the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live even if

he dies, 26 and the one who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She replied, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God who comes into the world."

John 14: 1-6

1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2 My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going."

5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Hymns:

How Great Thou Art What a Friend we have in Jesus/

Old Rugged Cross/

How Great Thou Art

What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry, everything to GOD in prayer!

And I will cherish the Old Rugged Cross, till my trophies at last, I lay down.

I will cling to the Old Rugged Cross and exchange it someday for a crown.

Then sings my soul, my Savior GOD to Thee, How great Thou Art, how great Thou Art.







Then Sings my soul, my Savior GOD to Thee, how Great Thou Art, how great Thou Art!

Obituary:

Maureen Veronica Cummings was born on July 14th, 1944 in Limon, Costa Rica to the late William Mitchell and Pearl Cummings. She attended school, Escuela Balbenero Vargas Molina, in Limon. At an early age, she became an entrepreneur, selling Chance (loteria), in which she employed many people who became close friends and family. And if you know Maureen, you know what the number "68" signifies and how it changed her life. Maureen was a humanitarian, always helping those in the community who were not as fortunate as her,

this laid the foundation for her legacy. She took pride in uplifting anyone she met. Maureen was a giver! She enjoyed helping strangers and family alike. Maureen met and fell in love with Noel Graham in 1960 and the product of their love was her two children, Vilma and Rosa. She visited the United States in 1986 and then permanently moved to the States in 2007 to be close to her children and grandchildren.

Maureen loved dancing to salsa, especially Celia Cruz and Benny More. After dancing, Maureen enjoyed going to the casino. While in the States, Maureen spent her days listening to music, enjoying her grand and great-grandchildren, talking to friends and family on the phone, doing cross-word puzzles, and telling stories about "When Maureen was Maureen!" But in this moment, it is also important to reflect on what kind of woman she was after her prime. She was nurturing, loving, outspoken, feisty, and a fighter. Maureen was welcoming, thoughtful, hopeful, and adventurous.

On February 27th, 2021, the Lord saw that Maureen was tired and called her home where she will be





reunited with her late parents Pearl and William and her brother Mario. Maureen is survived by her two daughters, Vilma and Rosa Graham; her grandchildren: Jasmine, Rodney, Tiffany, Ashley, Juhnniette, Deshannique; great grand-children: Damiyis, Thristan Jr., and William; sisters Clarice, Sandra, and Rosemarie; brothers: Leroy, Rodolfo, Ronaldo, Carlos, Reynaldo, Marvin, Roberto, Carlos and Earl; and a host of many family, nieces, nephews, and friends. Maureen will surely be missed and remembered by all!



Tribute:

If you would like, please come to the altar and take a moment to express your love for Maureen. (Limit 2 Minutes)

Hymn:

When We All Get to Heaven

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus Sing his mercy and his grace In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place When we all get to heaven What a day of rejoicing that will be When we all see Jesus We'll sing and shout the victory Onward to the prize before us Soon his beauty we'll behold Soon the pearly gates will open We shall tread the streets of gold When we all get to heaven What a day of rejoicing that will be

When we all see Jesus We'll sing and shout the victory When we all see Jesus We'll sing and shout the victory





Poem:

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard his call, I urned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, to play, Tasks left undone must say that way, I've found that peace at the close of the day. If my parting hast left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow/ My Life's been full, I savoured much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch

Perhaps my times seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now – He sent me free.

Eulogy

Viewing

Closing/Benediction

Recessional

Please join the family for meal and refreshments at Mowatt Hall







I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid 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 found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free! -author unknown

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