

Service

Sunday, May 9, 2021 Viewing: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Service: 4:00 PM

> Monday, May 10, 2021 Service: 10:00 AM

PHILADELPHIA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

909 East 233rd Street, Bronx NY

Pastor Earl Baldwin, Philadelphia SDA, Bronx NY

Pastor Rodney Millin, Officiating Emmanuel Seventh Day Church Ministries

Pastor Ivan C Plummer, Speaker Emmanuel Seventh Day Church Ministries

Entombment

Woodlawn Cemetery Bronx, NY

<u>Pallbearers</u>

Michael Belnavis Izayh Belnavis Steve Watson, Tyriq Watson Donald Bailey Renisha Steele

Order of Service

Opening Remarks: Pastor Rodney Millin Emmanuel Seventh Day Church Ministries
Opening Hymn "How Cheering Is The Christian Hope" Sister Lorna Plummer
First Scripture Reading
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Izayh Belnavis (Grandson)
Opening Prayer Pastor Earl Baldwin, Philadelphia SDA
Musical Selection Emmanuel Choir
Second Scripture
Revelation 21: 1-6Tyler Bowen
Musical Selection"I'll Rise Up" - Tiersa Bowen
PoemLynette Dennison
Tributes Ouida Blake plus Others
SoloSister Hope Dunkley
CondolencesSister Delcia Reed and Dominique Taylor
ObituaryJustin Blake
Solo Sister Janet Dunkley
Prayer Of Comfort
Homily
Closing Hymn "We Are Nearing Home"
Benediction
Instructions Eternity Funeral Services Directors
Recessional

Obituary

Carol Joy Belnavis affectionately known as Chick was born on December 29th, 1943 in Bellas Gate, St Catherine Jamaica, West Indies. She was the fourth of eight siblings born to the late Ebenezer and Rebertha Blake.

She received her primary education at Bellas Gate All Age School and her secondary at Marlie Hill Training Institute. Having a passion for cooking, she received a scholarship for a prominent and prestigious culinary art school in Kingston, Jamaica, where she received her Culinary Certificate.

While she was pursuing her culinary education, she met and fell in love with Christopher Belnavis. On December 2nd, 1968 they married and migrated to the United State. Their union produced two beautiful children, Michael and Christine.

Carol had a passion for taking care of others, so she dedicated 25 years at Rofay Nursing Home as a nursing assistant. It brought her joy seeing the love she received from her residents. She worked hard as a wife, mother and caretaker to all that she encountered. She made an impact in the neighborhood she lived in.

Carol had a fondness for cooking, baking, drawing and painting. In the 70s, she would enter numerous drawing contest in TV guide and would sometimes win! She was offered a scholarship to attend this reputable art school in Chicago, but she declined because she had young children.

She was an amazing and incredible woman. She had a very loving and caring nature. Anytime someone needed a listening ear, she was there for them. She was also known as the peacemaker! If any problem arise, it was her due diligence to fix it.

Carol would open up her home to anyone that needed a place to rest their head! Whenever family and friends were in need, she would not hesitate to help them. She was also known as everyone's grandma in the neighborhood. She was loved by all the children! If you know Carol, you know on Friday nights, all electronics would be turned OFF and it would be worship time. If anyone came over for the weekend, they KNEW they had to bring church clothes whether they liked it or not!

Carol was a phenomenal baker! If it were someone's birthday, a church gathering or any special occasion, she would jump to the opportunity to show off her cooking skills.

Carol was baptized at the tender age of 12 as a member of the Bellas Gate Seventh-day Adventist Church and she recommitted her life and was rebaptized in 2009 with her daughter Christine at Emmanuel Seventh Day Church Ministries. She loved the church so much, that when they couldn't have the food donation at the church anymore, she volunteered her home, so that the food donation could continue and help the community.

Her favorite hymn songs were "We Are Nearing Home" and "Blessed Assurance". And her favorite Bible text was Psalms 91!

A few months ago, her health started to decline and even while she was sick, she still kept the Faith!

The Lord has called her to rest on Monday, April 19th, 2021.

She is survived, by her husband Christopher. Her son, Michael and her daughter Christine. Son in- Law, Steve and Daughter- in law LaKenya! Her grandchildren, Renisha, Brittnie, Kayana, Tyriq and Izayh. Her siblings, Anthony, Grace, Norma, Marie, Yvonne, Ouida and Junior. Her two aunts, Isola Mamby and Amibelle Heron and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins! She will be immensely missed by her family and friends!





How Cheering Is The Christian Hope

How cheering is the Christian's hope,
While toiling here below!
It bouys us up while this passing through
This wilderness of woe,

It bouys us up while this passing through
This wilderness of woe,
It bouys us up while passing through
This wilderness of woe.

It points us to a land of rest,
Where saints with Christ will reign;
Where we shall meet the loved of earth,
And never part again.

Fly, lingering moments, fly, O, fly, Dear Savior, quickly come! We long to see Thee as Thou art, And reach that blissful home.





We are Nearing Home

Just over the mountains in the Promised Land, Lies the holy city built by God's own hand; As our weary footsteps gain the mountain's crest, We can view our homeland of eternal rest.

Refrain

We are nearing home! We are nearing home See the splendor gleaming from the domes afar! See the glory streaming through the "gates ajar" There we soon will enter, nevermore to roam, Hear the angels singing' we are nearing home! We are nearing home.

In the rolls of the prophets we have long been told Of that wondrous city with its streets of gold; Now with raptured vision we can see it there, With its walls of jasper and its mansions fair.

[Refrain]

Those who enter that city are the faithful few Who keep God's commandments-faith of Jesus, too; There we'll lift our voices through the endless days, In sweet songs of gladness and in psalms of praise.

[Refrain]

My brother, my sister, will you meet us there, In that land of sunshine where there'll be no care? Accept of God's message, and to Him be true; Then when Jesus cometh He will call for you.

[Refrain]





Acknowledgement

The family of **Carol Joy Belnavis** acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.



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