

## *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*

## *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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## *In Loving Memory of*



## *Brenda Mitchell*

**Sunrise**  
May 1, 1947

**Sunset**  
May 12, 2021

**Saturday, June 5, 2021 - 11:00 am**

**Cotton Funeral Service**  
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey





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**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Reading**

Old Testament  
New Testament

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection**

**Remarks**

(Two minutes each please)

**Acknowledgements**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Recessional**

*Entombment*  
Woodbridge Memorial Gardens  
Woodbridge, New Jersey

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*Brenda Mitchell, departed on May 12, 2021 at the age of 74. She was the only child born to the late Ruth and William Johnson. She was a resident of Newark, New Jersey and attended the Newark public school system until graduating from Central High school.*

*Soon thereafter, she started on her career path. First on Wall Street for an extensive amount of time, she then moved on to work with Prudential and finally with Midlantic Bank.*

*Brenda was a seamstress at heart, designing clothing for her fashion shows, wedding and prom dresses for friends and family. Sewing, traveling, and caring for others were a few of the many things that she enjoyed.*

*Brenda also had a reputation for being the best child care provider in and around her neighborhood. She will be remembered by the*

*parents as well as their children that she loved for more than 20 years !*

*Brenda was loving towards family members that were around her and THOSE WHO KNEW HER KNEW THAT!*

*Brenda is proceeded in death by her mother and father Ruth and William Johnson (Sonny).*

*Brenda leaves cherished memories for 2 children LaTrease (Penny) Wynn (Quentin Hardy) and Terell Mitchell, her grandchildren Quanasia, Quadir, Nasir, Qualee, Quadee, and her 2 great grandchildren Quasir and Baby Qari, her aunts Jane Brown, Ethel McCloud and Marcelette Carney; as well as a host of aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews, close friends, and her dearest cousin Author Reid.*



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