

*In Loving Memory of*



*Vernice Leona Pinkney*

Sunrise  
August 19, 1952

Sunset  
May 22, 2021

Saturday, June 5, 2021 - 10am

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## *Obituary*

**Vernice Leona Pinkney** was born on August 19, 1952 to Charles Wesley Bailey, Sr. and Verna Leona Bailey at Lincoln Hospital in the Bronx, New York.

Vernice was the eldest of four children. She grew up in the South Bronx and went to Morris High School.

Vernice Civil Service Career started at the Manhattan District Attorney's Office where she met and eventually married Prince Robert Pinkney III. Prince joined the United States Air Force and as a result of this Vernice traveled to the Philippines, Thailand, Japan and California. Vernice had two daughters, Tamela and Tracy Pinkney. The Pinkney's lived in Japan for 7 years. Vernice and her daughters returned to New York City in August of 1982, where she continued her civil service career working for New York City Housing Authority. She rose through the ranks from teller, senior teller and lastly to Housing Assistant. Vernice retired after 27 years of service.

Vernice was an intelligent person. She had a vast and eclectic source of knowledge. She loved to read books on rare topics and to learn about different cultures. She never stopped trying to learn something new. One of her favorite TV shows was Jeopardy where she knew the answers, no matter the category. Vernice loved to cook and enjoyed cooking for her family. It warmed her heart. She enjoyed a wide range of music, but especially loved R & B.

Vernice Leona Pinkney, leaves to cherish her memory: her daughters, Tamela E. Pinkney and Tracy L. Pinkney; sisters, Helen E. Bailey, Charlene E. Bailey and Maureen Bailey; aunt, Melba Glover; and nephews, Perry Ayers, Jr. and Malik Bailey.

# *Order of Service*

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Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Eulogy

Committal

Recessional

**FINAL DISPOSITION:**  
Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

# *The Broken Chain*

We little knew that *morning*  
that God was going to call your name.  
In life we *loved* you dearly, in death we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to *lose you*; you did not go alone;  
for part of us went with you, the day  
*God called you home.*  
You left us peaceful *memories*,  
your love is still our guide; and though we cannot see you,  
you are *always* at our side.  
Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same;  
but as God calls us one by one,  
*the chain will link again.*

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## *Acknowledgement*

***The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.***

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