In Loving Memory of



Saturday, June 19, 2021 - 11:00 am

## First Timothy Baptist Church

215 Chancellor Avenue • Newark, New Jersey 07112 Bishop Jose Figueroa, Officiating



**Ruth Mary Lewis (Tunley)** age 68 of Newark, NJ transitioned from this life on June 8, 2021. Ruth was born on November 21, 1952, to the late Haywood H. Tunley and Mary Katherine Tunley (Worrell) in Yonkers, NY.

Ruth lived for years in Yonkers, NY where she received her education and completed 12th grade at Yonkers High School. Ruth worked numerous jobs such as a cashier and home health aide. Ruth lived as a resident in Yonkers until she married her second husband Casey Lewis and moved to Summter, South Carolina. Ruth moved back north to Newark, NJ to be with her daughters, grandkids and her mother.

Ruth lived a joyful life. She loved life and her family, there was not anything she would not do for them. Ruth enjoyed helping the children with their schoolwork or just babysitting them. Ruth enjoyed the holidays especially when it came to Thanksgiving. She loved this holiday because she would always say I have two birthdays whenever Thanksgiving falls on a different day as she was born on Thanksgiving.

Ruth loved the Lord and she believed in Jesus in her own way. The more she received prayer from her niece Roxanna the more her faith grew in the Lord. Ruth's faith became stronger after she became sick a year ago.

Ruth loved the men she called her three boys, Barry Brown who nicknamed her Momma Dukes, there was no other mother for him. Curdney Petrona who could do no wrong in her eyes and Omar Hurt aka Solo, her soon to be son in law who took great care of her, and they built a special bond. But mostly Ruth lived and loved her grandkids.

Ruth is predeceased by her father, Haywood Tunley, her mother Mary Katherine Tunley (Worrell), sister Leandra DeGree, brother Richard Tunley, two sisters in law, Debra Tunley and Carla Dillard Tunley, one daughter Star Pilgram and son Le'Don Gilmore Whitaker.

Ruth leaves to cherish her memories her two daughter, Mary Katherine Tunley, Beonca Marie Shute, her ten grandkids, Quavonjai Brown, Kristopher Brooks, Mia Harris Tunley, Sanaa 'O'ree Harris Tunley, Davon Espinoza Tunley, Carmen Columna, Naiomy Aquilar, Iasha Lester, Nate Johnson and Danny Bryant, Jr., two sisters, Phyllis Finch Worrell and Denise Tunley. Four brothers, Ronald Tunley, William Tunley, Haywood Tunley and Thomas Tunley Sr. One brother-in-law Harrison DeGree, two sister-in laws, Pamela Tunley and Vikki Tunley. Four God kids, Harrison Tunley, Anthony DeGree, Jaylin Moore and Myleeka Wright and a host of nieces, nephews', cousins, other relatives and friends.

Mary, Beonca and family would like to say Thank You to all that called, texted, came by or had us in your prayers during this difficult time for us as we lay our Queen to Rest. Thank you for your support and kind words. The family will need you in the days to come as we grieve.



#### **Processional**

#### **Prayer**

Scripture Readings
Old Testament - Roxanna DeGree
New Testament - John 14:1-3 Roxanna DeGree

Prayer of Comfort Roxanna DeGree

> Praise Dance Michael Bates

Acknowledgements & Cards Roxanna DeGree

**Reflections from Silbings** 

Poem written by Denira Tunly Quavonjai Brown

> **Obituary** Roxanna DeGree

**Praise Dance**Michael Bates

**Eulogy** Bishop Jose Figueroa

**Final Viewing** 

Benediction

Recessional

Greenwood Crematory Hillside, New Jersey

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Repass will be held at the Orange Room 575 Nassau Street, Orange, NJ 07050



# My Darling Fister

You and me forever, know one knows how I feel
You will always be around
Everything's gone be alright
You always told me it was going to be alright

Know one can tell me what I'm feeling, your gone,
I'm all alone, once again
Why me, I'm feeling alone
You did your best, know one knows how hard you fought,
But I knew whatever I wanted you tried your best;
I love you for that.

You chose your path and lived it to the fullest, just wish you had more time
But you knew you were doing fine.
I'm fine F—K-- up, insecure, neurotic and emotional
All of the above

Loved our goodbye, it was the best of our life and I shared it with you.

Good-bye

Ruthie aka Chop-Chop

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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