



*The Going  
Home Service  
In Celebration  
for the Life  
of*

*Edna Jean Samuda*

**Sunrise**  
**February 14, 1929**

**Sunset**  
**June 14, 2021**

**Service:**  
**Thursday, June 24th, 2021 - 12 Noon**

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church**

777 East 222nd Street, Bronx, New York 10467

**Celebrant: The Rev. David R. Steele, MA, MHRM**

**Organist: Mr. Elmer Hammond**

# Obituary



God blessed us with **Edna Jean Samuda** on February 14, 1929. Born to the late Nathan Grant and Kathleen Saunders, Edna grew up in the Parish of St. Ann in Jamaica, West Indies. She was a fine woman who chose never to get into any trouble. While still in Jamaica, she met the love of her life, Creighton Emanuel Samuda. The two were joined in holy matrimony in 1954. This union ultimately resulted in the birth of their four children. Edna migrated to the United States with her groom in 1955. Upon arriving in New York, after a short residency in Manhattan, Creighton and Edna settled down in the Bronx where they started their family.

Edna was a sweet and very refined woman with impeccable taste. She loved fine things and the best of everything. She loved to dress and was always well put together whenever she left the house. At holidays, Edna loved to set the table with fine china, crystal and linens. She was an excellent cook and put her love into each meal she made. This can be told by the smiles and satisfaction displayed on the countless family members and friends privileged to have experienced her cooking.

A steady, hardworking, industrious woman, Edna worked with the United States Postal Service for 30 years, until her retirement. During this time, she received an award for working 10 years straight without an absence or lateness. However, she always kept focus on her most important job of being a loving wife and mother. She loved her husband, children and those close to her and was very protective of them.

She was a no nonsense type of person, whom you never had to wonder what was on her mind. She had a great sense of humor and loved to tell jokes. Her hearty belly laugh was infectious. You could not help but to join in.

Edna is survived by her sons, Jeffrey, Michael, and Craig; daughter, Charmaine; daughters-in-law, Binta Samuda, Christina Samuda and Susan Samuda; grandchildren, Kwame, Safiatou, Michael Jr., Mariamme and Sadou; great granddaughter, Zoe; sisters, Princess Brammer and Valda Vassell; nieces, Joy DuFour and Andrea Smith; nephews, Errol DuFour and Marc Brammer; and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in passing by her husband, Creighton Emanuel Samuda.

We will never forget Edna Jean Samuda, who we loved dearly. However, God loves her best and has brought her home. She can now rejoin her love, Creighton, who has been waiting for her for 10 years.

Lovingly submitted, THE FAMILY

Be not afraid I go before you always. Come follow me and I will give you rest.

# *Order of Service*

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OLD TESTAMENT: Wisdom 3:1-5, 9 ..... Craig Samuda

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NEW TESTAMENT: Revelation 7:9-17 ..... Cheri Cathnott

SOLOIST:..... Juanita Faulkner

GOSPEL: John 6:37-40

THE SERMON..... Father Steele

THE OBITUARY..... Michael Samuda

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HYMN..... "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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RECESSIONAL HYMN..... “Amazing Grace”

*Interment*  
Kensico Cemetery  
Valhalla, New York

# *Farewell*

**Farewell my family, don't weep for I'm at peace now, just asleep. Farewell my family, I'm not alone, the Mighty Maker has led me safely home. Just think back over the many years, how the family seemed so strong, holding back the tears. Yet, God somehow always made a way, thanking Him every night and day. Be good my family, always love each other. Be strong my family, strong in heart, the blood ties, no one can ever part. If at some time I made a mistake, as you live, many will you make. Farewell my family, I've been called away. Walk with God, trust in His word, for He is always by your side.**

## *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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