

In Loving Memory of



Dr. Louise A. McKenzie

Sunrise
April 17, 1958

Sunset
July 14, 2021

Service:
Saturday, July 31, 2021 - 10:00 am

Crawford Memorial UMC
3757 White Plains Rd. • Bronx, New York 10467
Rev. Noel Chin, Officiating

Obituary

Louise Angela (Williams) McKenzie was born in Westmoreland, Jamaica, BWI on April 17, 1958 to Gladstone Wilberforce Williams and Rose Fiona (Sanftleben) Williams. On the day she was born, our Father cried as he said he could see his own Mother in the face of his child. His mother had passed when he was a young man of only 20 years. Louise was the first of four children.

Louise had a very close relationship to her Maternal Grandmother, Alice Louise Gooden and her Aunt Lou Nick, our Father's first cousin, Louise Rebecca Nicholson. Both of these strong women played integral roles in her upbringing, her devotion to the Lord and her thirst for knowledge. On May 19, 2021, Louise achieved the goal of having her doctoral degree conferred upon her. She became a Ph D in Education and I will refer to her going forward as Dr. McKenzie because she deserves to be applauded for all her hard work and this accomplishment. This was the fulfilment of a promise she had made to our Father.

Dr. McKenzie has been teaching since she was a child in the lower Elementary grades when she was called upon to explain concepts to children much older than herself. Diligent in her studies, she would go on to make our Parents proud by earning 2nd place in the Island for the Common Entrance exam as it was known, earning the William Gordon Scholarship to attend the Immaculate Conception High School in Constant Spring.

Dr. McKenzie earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of the West Indies, ("UWI"), prior to moving to the United States of America. She also earned her Master degree in Information Technology from New York Institute of Technology ("NYIT").

Along the way, she met, fell in love with and married her beloved Paul and was looking forward to celebrating their 35th Wedding Anniversary on August 3rd of this year. Their union produced their beloved son Peter.

Dr. McKenzie recently retired from her job at St John's University where she played an integral part in teaching Professors how to utilize the ever-developing technology they needed to teach their students.

A woman of faith, Dr. McKenzie was a member of Crawford Memorial United Methodist Church. Over the years, she played many roles, including Sunday School Teacher. She also used her baking skills to assist with fund-raising.

An avid gardener, Dr. McKenzie took pride and joy in each of her plants, whether vegetables, such as tomatoes, or fruits, such as strawberries and grapes. She also grew a great variety of flowers, such that their yard was never without blooms, even late into the growing season.

Besides tending to her duties as Wife and Mother, Dr. McKenzie was a devoted Daughter and Sister. We could always count on her guidance and advice.

Another promise she had made was to take our Mother to places that our Father could not due to his early passing at the tender age of 49 years. Our Grandfather's name was Sydney and our Mother always wanted to go see the city that shared a name with her Father. Dr. McKenzie took our Mother to Sydney, Australia. They have been to Hawaii, Alaska, London, Paris, Rome, Barcelona and all over the Caribbean, including into the Panama Canal. My Sister convinced me to go with her to Aruba to witness a total Eclipse of the Sun. the four of us, Mama and Peter included had memorable experience.

She leaves to mourn her passing: her beloved Husband, Paul and Son, Peter; her Mother, Rose Williams (Shottie Gooden); her siblings: Gwendolyn (Glen Douglas), Janet (Carl Clarke), and David (Tresa); Niece, Adira and Nephews, Bryce and Miles; Aunt Monica (David Whelan); Cousins: Daughn and Alfred (Yvonne) in Jamaica and Esparanza in England and a host of Cousins all over the World; innumerable Friends and members of her Church Family.

Order of Service

PRELUDE

WORD OF GRACE Rev. Noel Chin

GREETING Rev. Noel Chin

HYMN..... Trust and Obey #467

PRAYER Rev. Noel Chin

OLD TESTAMENT- Isaiah 61:1-3David Williams (Brother)

NEW TESTAMENT-John 14:1-7 Sandra McKenzie (Sister-in-law)

SOLOTresa Williams (Sister-in-law)

WORDS OF THANKSGIVING Peter McKenzie (Son)

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE Eleanor Gillette-Chambers
and Mary White

OBITUARY Gwendolyn Williams (Sister)

HYMN It Is Well With My Soul #377

SERMON Rev. Noel Chin

SOLOMichael Henry (Cousin)

PRAYER OF COMMENDATIONRev. Noel Chin

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Rev. Noel Chin

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Rev. Noel Chin

RECESSIONALMine Eyes Have Seen The Glory #717

INTERMENT INSTRUCTIONSMcCall's Funeral Home

Interment
Kensico Cemetery
Valhalla, New York

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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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