

Celebrating The Life of
Audrey Karon Houston-Brown
October 17, 1970 - August 2, 2021



Service Information



FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 2021

Service: 7:00 PM

Christ Alive Christian Center

4217 Vireo Ave, Bronx, NY 10470

Pastor Dean Brown, Officiating



Saturday, August 14, 2021

Service: 10:00 AM

Kensico Chapel

Valhalla NY



Interment

Kensico Cemetery

Valhalla, NY



Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Opening Musical Selection.....Take My Hand, Precious Lord

Invocation/WelcomePastor Dean Brown

Scripture Reading - Ecclesiastes 3 (1-15)Alexander Gittens

Poem ReadingKaren Houston Simon (Sister)

Reflections(slide show)

Musical SelectionAmazing Grace

Prayer of Comfort Sylvia Whyte

Scripture Reading - Psalm 23..... Anthony Gittens (Nephew)

Tribute.....Song by Judith Rogers

Musical SelectionThe Presence of the Lord is here

Tribute.....Jean Hall/Bernice Gonzalez (one minute please)

Musical SelectionEverlasting God

Tributes..... Dionne/Simone Cleary,

Marjorie Mattis, few others (one minute please)

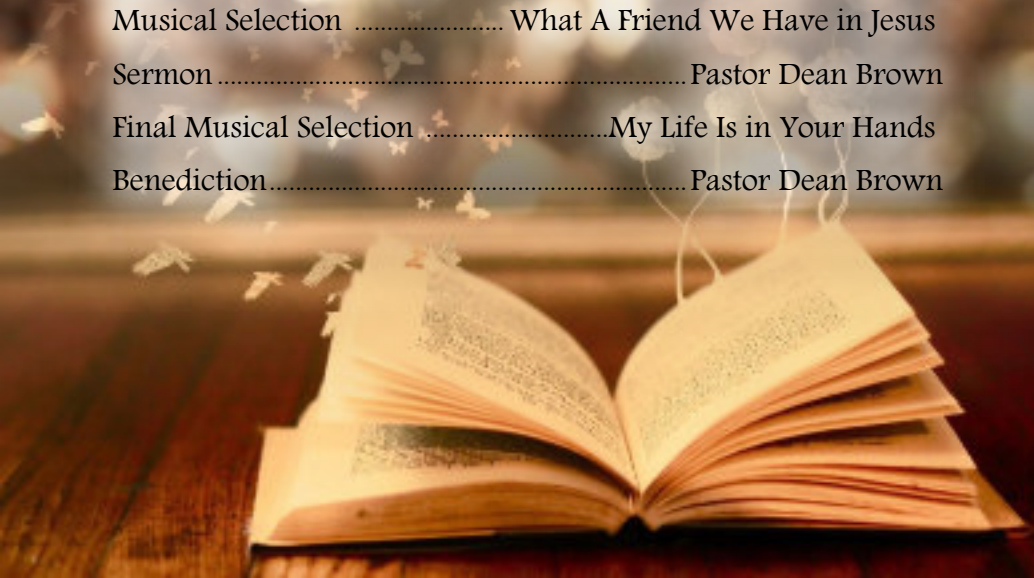
Reading Obituary/Eulogy.....Jennifer McKenzie (niece)

Musical Selection What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Sermon Pastor Dean Brown

Final Musical SelectionMy Life Is in Your Hands

Benediction..... Pastor Dean Brown



Obituary

Wonderful, fabulous, and sweet—Audrey Karon Houston-Brown arrived on mother earth on October 17, 1970 to Marlon and Dorrett Houston. The youngest child of the couple's three children, Audrey was born in St. Catherine, Jamaica, and spent her childhood in St. Thomas and Kingston, Jamaica. Prior to Audrey migrating to the United States, she attended Holy Family Primary School and the prestigious high school at Alpha Academy.

In August 1982, Audrey migrated to the United States with her immediate family. Intellectually gifted, she then matriculated at an intermediate school in the West Farms area of the Bronx, and subsequently, tested and was accepted to Townsend Harris, a school which to this day is ranked twelfth best high school in the nation. She began college at CUNY-John Jay, and later transferred to Helene Fuld College of Nursing, from where she graduated, becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse. Audrey decided not to pursue her academic career further, and enjoyed her nursing work, primarily working private duty, and lastly working with TFC Nursing Agency. She was assigned and worked with her beloved Albert for many years. She was also an entrepreneur who worked zealously toward establishing ventures in Jamaica.

Audrey was married to James (Jimmy) Bartholomew Brown on January 1, 2015, and to the day of her death they maintained a very close relationship, despite at times living with the Atlantic ocean between them. In addition to being her husband, Jimmy was her best friend. She was a faithful and dedicated spouse, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend. She and her mother always resided together and took care of each other. Audrey was supportive to the people she loved and they were always able to count on her. She loved laughter and having a good time.

Audrey passed on August 2, 2021 at Jacobi Medical Center and joined her loved-ones that predeceased her, including her older brother, Richard Houston. Audrey's family and friends will miss her full-of-life personality, her laughter, and her ability to see the positive in every circumstance regardless of the situation.

Audrey is survived by her husband Jimmy, her parents—Dorrett and Marlon; Sisters—Janet, Marcia, Karen, Elizabeth; Brothers—Everton, Orville, and Chima; numerous Nieces and Nephews; Aunts (9); Uncles (11); Cousins (scores), Brothers-in-law, Sisters-in-law and numerous close friends.

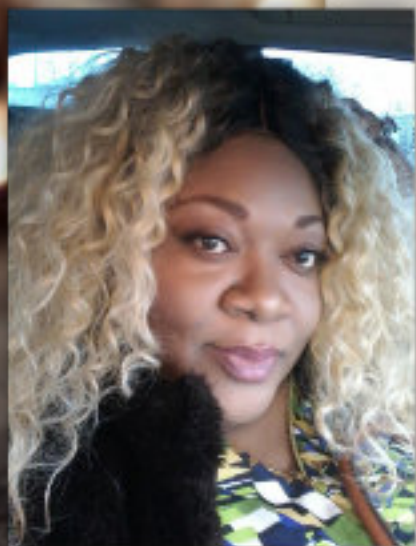
Precious Lord, Take My Hand



Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light.



Refrain:
Take my hand, precious Lord,
Lead me home.



When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall [Refrain]

When the darkness appears
And the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand,
Guide my feet, hold my hand [Refrain]

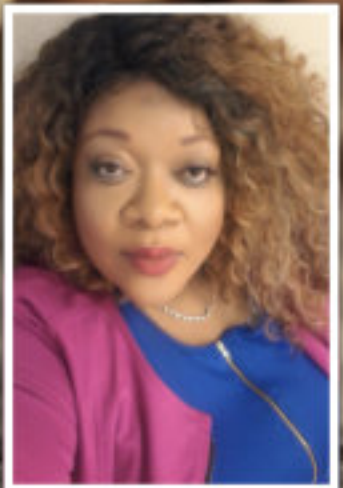
Amazing Grace

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come.
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright, shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.



What A Friend We Have in Jesus



What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.



Acknowledgement

*The family of **Audrey Karon Houston-Brown** acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.*

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