



In Loving Memory of

Pinky Garden-Bouvens

October 13, 1953 - August 8, 2021

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021 - 5:00 P.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Obituary

Pinky Geneva Gordon-Bowens was born on October 13, 1953 to the late Samuel Gordon-EL and Reather Mae Wynn Gordon-EL, in Orange NJ. She departed this life on August 8, 2021.

Pinky was educated in the Newark NJ school system. She attended Cleveland Elementary School (Newark, NJ) for her grammar school years and Barringer High School (Newark, NJ), where she received her diploma in 1970.

A skilled clerical clerk and data keypunch operator, Pinky worked for various jobs including First National State Bank, the Traffic Violation Department of Newark City Hall, and Automatic Data Processing Inc.

Pinky was blessed with four beautiful children, 3 girls and a boy, the late Shawnta Gordon, Simuel Gordon, Sakinah Gordon, and Soniqua Gordon; Grandmother to Sheal'la Gordon, Swafae Gordon, Rashaad Austin, Jazmyn Gordon, and Jahsim Gordon; and Great Grandmother to Ayden Austin.

Pinky enjoyed her family & friends to the fullest. Pinky loved music, she was creative and loved taking pictures. Pinky made friends in every neighborhood she resided in in Newark, from Avon Ave to West Kinney St to Irvine Turner Blvd to Bergen St. to Hayes Homes, and to Chadwick Ave. Pinky had many God children throughout the city, as she helped raise many of the neighborhoods' youth. Affectionately referred to as Ms.Pinky, she lived her life her own way. She loved being the life of the party and will be greatly missed by many.

Left to cherish fond memories are her 3 sisters and 1 brother; Barbara Riley, Karen Gordon-EL, Cheryl Gordon, and Bruce GordonEL; her nieces & nephews Sabrina Williams, Jeana Largin, Shannon Gordon, Dia Gordon, Damien Gordon, Brett Morris, Emari White, Tysheria Smith; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, great nieces and nephews, great great nieces & nephews, and estranged husband Russell Bowens.

Order of Service

Processional.....	“Amazing Grace”
Invocation.....	Dr. E. T. Stoddart
Scripture reading.....	Dr. E. T. Stoddart
Music selection.....	Singer
Remarks (2 min limit).....	Family & Friends
Obituary.....	Jeana Largin
Acknowledgments.....	Simuel Gordon
Music selection.....	Lashana Green
Eulogy.....	Rev. Toby Sanders
Benediction.....	Dr. E. T. Stoddart Senior Pastor, Church of the Oranges

*The repast will be held at Kay's Lounge
195 Western Parkway
Irvington, NJ 07111
7 pm - 10 pm*

WE LOVE YOU MOM

(Poem by Simuel Gordon)

I am who I am
Because of you
The good, the bad
The things I do.
You raised us to be brave
And forever true
Protected us from harm
And the evils people do.
Punishment was strong
When We did wrong
Taught us how to survive
To Never conform
To Live life without regret
But on this day We mourn
Surrounded by family & friends
Wishing You could live on.
Dear GOD she was
Who she was
Please forgive her for any sins
Please don't pretend
My mother was perfect
To the streets she was perfect
& Made everyday worth it
She did it her way
Living out her purpose
Today we say bye
As her soul is now earth less
From Her body as it lay
What more can we say
But Till the day
We meet again
Watch over us
My Maker
My Mother
My first friend.
WE LOVE YOU PINKY

Acknowledgement

The Family wishes to acknowledge with sincere appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown to them during this difficult time.

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