

A woman with short dark hair and glasses, wearing a black lace top, stands on a white spiral staircase. The background is a bright blue sky with soft white clouds. The text "It's A Highway To Heaven" is written in a cursive font at the top.

It's A Highway To Heaven

Hyacinth E. Luke

Sunrise
November 5, 1953

Sunset
September 30, 2021

Service of Triumph

Friday, October 8, 2021 - 12:00 p.m.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey 07050

Obituary

Hyacinth Elvira Rodney Luke was born on November 5, 1953, to Clinton and Lucille Rodney in Betterverwagting, Guyana, South America. She grew up in New Forrest.

She attended Rose Hall Scots School and continued her senior education at Nath High School, Rose Hall. At 19, on January 18, 1975, she married Gordon Oliver Luke and the union produced three children, her eldest Ivor Gordon Luke, her daughter Shonnette Shirlette Luke and her youngest Garfield Andelle Luke.

On June 20, 1993, Hyacinth emigrated to the United States with her husband and children with hopes of a better life and opportunity. Hyacinth had a flourishing 27-year career in healthcare until she retired in 2020. Hyacinth dubbed “Aunty Baba” by those who knew and loved her, took everyone under her wing and was a mentor to many, a confidant, a friend, and most of all a loving and devoted wife and mother.

Hyacinth had many interests and hobbies over the years. She enjoyed spending her leisure time with her husband watching African and Western movies. She also enjoyed cooking and entertaining her loved ones. Hyacinth enjoyed listening to music especially on her favorite radio station 106.7 Lite FM.

Hyacinth was proceeded in death by Clinton and Lucille Rodney and her brothers Cedric and George.

She leaves behind her husband Gordon Oliver Luke, her three children, Ivor Gordon Luke, Shonnette Shirlette Luke, and Garfield Andelle Luke, and her four grandchildren Ivory Monique Luke, Johaun Gordon Luke, Gabriele Bridgette Luke, and Preston Stanis Luke. She is also survived by her two sisters Olive and Roselyn, twenty nieces and nephews, twenty-five great-nieces and nephews, and many others.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional Hymn Pastor Albert Edwin

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Psalm 91 Ivory M. Luke

New Testament.....John 14:27 Johaun G. Luke

Prayer of Comfort Pastor Albert Edwin

Musical Selection.....“One Day at a Time” Maurice Luke

Obituary

Tribute by her Children

Musical Selection

EulogyIvor G. Luke

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey
408 Orange Rd,
Montclair, NJ 07042

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times And
bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve To
dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

In Grateful Appreciation

*The family of the late **Hyacinth Luke** wishes to express deep and heartfelt appreciation for your loving thoughtfulness and concern including cards, flowers, phone calls, emails, texts, Facebook tributes, visits, your presence here this morning, and especially the comfort of your continuing prayers. We also appreciate those who sent their love from near and far to encourage us during this time. May God bless and keep each of you in His loving embrace and care.*

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