

*In Loving Memory of*



*Estellita Grubb*

Sunrise: August 22, 1924  
Sunset: November 17, 2021

Service  
Saturday, December 11, 2021  
Viewing 9:00AM  
Service 10:00AM

**Greater Zion Hill Baptist Church**  
2365 Frederick Douglass Blvd. • New York, NY 10027

# Obituary

**Estellita Leona Grubb** peacefully departed this earth on November 17, 2021. She was born and raised in Christiansted, Virgin Island on August 22, 1924 to the late Herbert and Valdareia Lewis. Estellita was the oldest of her two siblings, brother Arinaldo and sister Lema who both preceded her in death. Estellita came to Harlem, New York at the age of 14 years old in 1938. She earned her diploma from Yorkfield High School in 1942.

At the age of 18 she secured a job at Horn & Horn Automate Restaurant where she met her late husband Wilfred Grubb. From this union they had four children: Dennis, Pearline, Michael (Mickey), and Valerie. Estellita (affectionately known as “Nanny” or “Stell”) also worked as a Domestic Engineer for 60 years.

Nanny joined Transfiguration Lutheran Church in 1938 where she enjoyed singing with the choir. She was a member for 79 years until her health declined. Nanny was a giving soul and was also known for cooking and baking. Her family would travel near and far for her famous Guava and Coconut pies and Cod Fish Stew. Nanny enjoyed the beauty of flowers and plants and had a “green thumb”. She could bring a dying plant back to life.

She was a superfan of the New York Mets baseball team. And was known to have the game on the television with the sound off, while listening to the radio. Whenever they would score she would chant “Let’s Go Mets”.

If you ever asked Nanny how she was doing, she would reply to the adults “ohh poke a poke” and to the kids, “I am still kicking”!

If you needed to know what was going on in the world - call Nanny, she would inform you of all the current events and her thoughts of why certain issues happened. Nanny’s joy was speaking to her grand and great grandchildren. Her other passion was playing the numbers or as she would say “putting in her digits” and going to the Casinos.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her son Dennis Grubb, daughters Pearline Holland, and Valerie Coffey, daughter-in-law Evelyn Grubb (wife of Mickey Grubb, who is deceased), nephew Larry Peterson, 12 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren and 12 great-great grandchildren and host of family and friends.

# *Order of Service*

## **Processional**

### **Selection**

“This Little Light of Mine”

### **Scripture Reading:**

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

### **Selection**

## **Obituary Reading & Acknowledgements**

Kim Thomas

## **Photo Montage**

## **Final Viewing**

### **Eulogy**

Minister Morning KimBorough

### **Selection**

“Take Me To The King”

## **Committal**

## **INTERMENT:**

Woodlawn Cemetery

4199 Webster Avenue

Bronx, NY 10470

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

## *Acknowledgement*

*Words are inadequate to express the compassion and gratefulness we feel toward all our friends who have comforted us with their love during our bereavement. We see this kindness as an expression of affection towards our loved one. We thank you sincerely. Please keep us in your prayers.*

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