# In Loving Memory of Margreta Clementina Bushell

Sunrise November 1, 1937 Sunset December 16, 2021



Monday, December 27, 2021 • 11:00 a.m.

#### **Rowe Funeral Home**

71 Washington Street • Morristown, New Jersey 07960

### Order of Service

Introduction & Prayers	Daryl Gatewood
Scripture Readings	Daryl Gatewood
Song Tribute	"Precious Lord
Poem	Jennifer Searles
Song & Video Montage	"I Look To You"
Words of Expression From Family & Friends	Lanc Powder Beverly Hutchinson
Song Video Montage	"Arms of An Angel"
Eulogy	Lisa Belle-Durant
Closing Prayer	Daryl Gatewood
Directions	Rowe Funeral Home
Recessional Song	"Eye on the Sparrow"

<u>Interment</u> Heavenly Rest Memorial Park East Hanover, New Jersey

<u>Repast</u> Hyatt Hotel 1 Ridgedale Ave N. Whippany NJ, 07981

## Obituary

Margreta Clementina Bushell, daughter of the late James Joseph and Eva Belle, was born November 1, 1937 in St. Michael, Barbados.

She is known to her family and friends as Aunt Clem or just Clem. Clem grew up in Barbados with her six siblings. Unfortunately, at a young age, Clem lost both her parents, which caused all the siblings to be separated into various family members' households. As a child, Clem spent the majority of her time with her older brother Foster Belle and her younger brother Watts Belle. She had an eventful childhood that paved the way for a promising future.

At the young age of 18, she left Barbados and migrated to Curacao, a small island perfectly situated between The Americas and Europe, where she worked in a family restaurant and also as a nanny. All the while, she did not forget her closest siblings. She handwrote many letters to her younger brother Watts on several occasions to make sure he was doing well.

By 1963, Clem left Curacao by boat and migrated to England. While there, she worked extremely hard to build her future. She was able to purchase her first home in Four Minute Gardens. During this time, Clem met and married the late Emerson Gladstone Bushell on March 26, 1966. During their loving relationship, they had one child, Deborah Thomas.

By 1972, Clem, who always knew she was destined for greatness, made the ultimate decision to migrate to America, with dreams of creating an even brighter future for her family. Clem made the hardest decision as a wife and mother, to leave behind her then six-year-old daughter and her husband to pursue the American Dream.

Clem worked as a live-in nanny. She had the task of looking after other people's children and keeping their kids happy. Although her job may have had many challenges, she remained dedicated and diligent. She eventually went through and gained her status in America. Eventually, in 1976, after four long years of working and saving, Clem brought her husband and daughter to America to live with her. In 1977, Clem brought Emerson's daughter, Mary Sylvia Lewis to America. Together the family of four lived on Pine Street in Morristown, NJ. Shortly after, the four moved to 44 Jardine Rd, where their journey as a family began. Clem was always known as a multi-tasker. She continued to be a nanny, did housekeep, and cleaned offices in the evening.

Although Clem was a dedicated worker, she still found the opportunity to travel with her friends and family. She went back home to Barbados on several occasions, and she enjoyed cruising. Clem possessed a generous and loving heart, always ready to assist with any and everyone who needed it, whether it was family or friends. She even opened her home to several friends and family, and many children passed through her doors.

On December 16, 2021, Clem departed this life from her loved ones to be in the presence of the Lord. She leaves to mourn and cherish her memory her Daughter Deborah Thomas and Stepdaughter Mary Sylvia Lewis.

Others who loved her dearly were her Granddaughter Sade Thomas. Son-in-law Junior Thomas, Beloved brother Watts Belle and sister-in-law Heather Belle. Special Nieces Lisa Belle-Durant and family, Suzy Gaskins and family and lots of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Clem was an inspiration to all who knew her and will be missed by all but never forgotten. Her memory will be with us forever. May God Bless her and shine his everlasting light on her.



#### **Hcknowledgements**

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

Services Entrusted To:

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