

Service: Saturday, February 5, 2022 - 12PM

Soul Saving Station 302 W. 124th Street, New York, NY 10027 Bishop Robert I. Winley

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional Clergy and Family

Invocation

Musical Selection

Scripture: Old Testament - Psalm 23 New Testament - John 14:1-4

Prayer of Comfort

Reflections

Musical Selection

Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

FINAL DISPOSITION:

Rosehill Crematory Linden, New Jersey

Obituary

Barbara Chatman was born on June 3, 1945, to the late James Preston Chatman and Dorothy Setlington-Chatman. She was the younger of two children from this union and was admittedly a "dad's girl." She was born in Washington DC and attended Vest Nest Elementary School. Barbara attended Dunbar High School where she ran track, studied tap and ballet, enjoyed arts-n-crafts, and was part of the archery team. She graduated in 1963. Barbara was an adventurous young person and her curiosity brought her to New York City in 1964. She was initially employed in the jewelry district as a ring tagger; her love for jewelry carried on throughout her life. Barbara worked at Harlem Hospital as a clerk in the operation room and later at the Amsterdam, Walston and Eaglebird Copy Right Law Firm. She retired from the New York City Department of Education where she ended her career as a paraprofessional working with children with special needs.

On January 1, 1996, Barbara gave her heart to the Lord and accepted Christ as her personal Savior under Bishop Robert I. Winley. Once Jesus entered her life, she was never the same. The Lord delivered Barbara and she never looked back. She was a licensed evangelist and a faithful servant of God who did not mind sharing the love of Jesus with others. She allowed God to use her testimony to encourage others to give their lives to Christ. She loved street ministry and Barbara had a heart of compassion. She graduated from the Collegiate Bible Institute as salutatorian in 2001 and Barbara continued taking graduate level courses until 2021. She allowed God to use her in various areas of the local ministry; she was a Sunday School Teen Teacher and was affectionately named "Granny Cakes," an Usher and President of the Usher Board, a post she retired from in 2012. Her last assignment was that of an Intercessor, she faithfully served as the facilitator of noon day prayer on Fridays.

She loved God with her whole heart, and she was a woman of faith. "I love the Lord more and more each day," was her motto. Barbara had a wicked sense of humor, she was known for her saying, "baby don't make Barbara Ann come out." Hear Barbara's parting words for all those who are present today, "Once you accept God as your Savior, He does more than you can ever know. Always see yourself grow spiritually and naturally and before you know it you will see your fruit."

Barbara peacefully departed this life, entering eternal rest with her Heavenly Father on January 24, 2022. She leaves to cherish her memory: her only child, son, Michael; her granddaughter, Breana; great granddaughter, Charlie; brother, James; her godchild, Shaniya; her prayer partner, Missionary Karen Bowen: and a host of great nieces and nephews, cousins, family, church family and friends.

Lovingly Submitted, The Family 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

Heknowledgement

The family of the late Evangelist Barbara Chatman wants to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, prayers, and all acts of kindness extended to them during their hour of bereavement. All tributes, cards, and condolences will be acknowledged by the family at a later date.

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