

Dear Sis,

A Million Times we will miss you, A Million Times we will cry. If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died. But God, with his infinite wisdom, decided you needed rest. He needed a rose in his garden and He picked the very best. God saw you were getting tired; so, He put his arms around you, and whispered come with me. A Golden heart stopped beating: Your life was a Blessing, Your Memory a Treasure, you were Loved beyond Words: you will be Missed beyond Measure. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only wanted the best. So, Sis, take your rest ... Your loving Sisters,

Eloise, Juanita, Anna and Sylvia

To Grandma

Even though you aren't with us anymore your accomplishments and actions stay with us. I don't have many memories of us spending time together but I hold the ones that I do have close to my heart. I remember your cooking, your love for tennis, and your loving heart and caring mind. Your family appreciates all the sacrifices you made and we will continue to praise and love you.

I love you, -Eden

Dear Grandma Evelyn,

We all want to start off by saying we love you and that you will be missed by all three of us. All of us know you have suffered the last 8 years; however, we are glad that you are not in pain anymore. Destiny and I will always remember the times you cooked for us when we came to visit as well as the things we did while we visited; while, you did not get to see

Layla she will still remember the talks and laughs that you all had on the phone, and even the facetime calls. Layla, Destiny, and I will also remember the thoughtful gifts that we received from you during Christmas and our birthdays. We will forever be grateful for you no matter. We are saddened that you were taken from us so early; however, we know God calls his people home on his time. We love you and will miss you dearly may you rest in peace Grandma Evelyn. Love Destiny, Diamond, and Layla

Dear Mrs. Fanning

What I have today is what there is forever; And those are the memories of all I have to hold on to.

In my mind I remember a face – one of beauty;
One with rarely a frown and almost always a smile
Never a harsh word – just a kind gentle smile;

I hear her voice as she says kind words to all who she knew
The words were always soft and they were who she was.

You will be missed and love- Chenaque

Ma, we will always and forever have the connection we built. You have a strong positive spiritual energy that will continue to touch our lives.

Peace.

-Your daughter, Ameerah Fanning

Dear Ma,

I first want to thank God for You and our family. I am so grateful for all the love and moments throughout the years. All of them, the good and the bad, have shaped me and made me the man I am today. I will never forget your teachings and I will seek to embody your spirit daily. Love Jonathan.

Mom

You were not just THE first woman that I loved but one of my closest friends.

You have been with me every step of the way, from ensuring that I kept my head in the books to sending me care boxes while I was deployed overseas. I am going to miss our afternoon talks on my drive home from work laughing and exchanging recipes. The Lord has called you home to release you from the pain that you were in. Know that your spirit and teaching will live on through me. "I AM YOU". I LOVE YOU - Darnell

Ephesians

*God saved you by his grace
when you believed.*

Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation
all acts of kindness extended to them during this
bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your
thoughtfulness and concern.*

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In Loving
Memory

of

Evelyn Fanning

Sunrise: February 25, 1957

Sunset: June 6, 2022

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022 -11:00 AM

Cotton Funeral Service

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Obituary

Evelyn (Jackson) Fanning was born to Clarence Jackson and Annie Lee Smith on February 25, 1957 in Prentiss, Mississippi. She attended J.E. Johnson Elementary School and Prentiss High School. During her time at Prentiss HS, she was an accomplished saxophone player. Evelyn was well known throughout the Prentiss community. She was a renowned softball player for the Prentiss A's. Evelyn was a member of the Prentiss First Baptist Church, where she was a vital member of the Choir.

Evelyn relocated to live in Newark, New Jersey, where she attended Essex County College. She earned an Associate Degree in Business Administration, which led to a position with the New Jersey Commission for the Blind. Later on, Evelyn changed careers to work for the United States Postal Service as a clerk where she provided exemplary service for more than 30 years until her retirement.

While working at the Commission for the Blind she met Nathaniel Fanning, who was working in the same State Building in the capacity of a State Parole Officer. They were married on June 28, 1980. They have two sons, Darnell and Jonathan. Darnell recently retired from the United States Army after serving duty in Kuwait, South Korea, Germany, and many other outposts around the world. Jonathan is a school teacher and coach in the Hillside, New Jersey school system as well as a former business owner in the Hillside Community.

Evelyn was known for her great cooking skills that she first learned from her grandmother (Miss Gertrude) in Mississippi. She elevated her skills by purchasing hundreds of cook books from well-known cooks and chefs from around the world. Evelyn had a gift for gardening. She took pride in her plants, flowers, and trees. She ensured she gave her plants the same love as she gave her family. One thing Evelyn loved to do was shop. She would spend hours clipping coupons and catching amazing deals. It didn't matter if she had enough of an item, she would always say "You can't beat that price",

"You better get it when you see it". She definitely was an expert at getting the most out of her dollar because she was truly an educated consumer.

Evelyn's spiritual life was enhanced by her love of the Bible and Devotional readings. She and her husband always played gospel music in the car en route to her many doctors appointments as an eight-year cancer survivor. On June 6, 2022, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ decided Evelyn no longer has to prove what a remarkable fighter she was and made her an appointment within Heaven.

Evelyn's legacy and spirit of faith, family, love, and devotion will be fulfilled through her devoted husband, her two loving sons, her four loyal sisters, (Eloise Blackman, Juanita Joseph, Anna Louise Jackson, Sylvia Snow), beautiful and ambitious grandchildren (Destiny, Diamond, Eden, Layla, Jonathan Ameer) and a host of nieces and nephews. We truly love our angel Evelyn but God loves her best.



Precious Memories

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey