

## *Should You Go First*

Should you go first and I remain to walk the road alone, I'll live in memories garden dear, with happy days we've known. In spring I'll wait for roses red, when faded, the lilacs blue. In early fall when brown leaves fall, I'll catch a glimpse of you. Should you go first and I remain, for battle to be fought. Each thing you've touched along the way will be a hallowed spot. I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile, though blindly I may grope, The memory of your helping hand will buoy me on with hope. Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have you do: Walk slowly down that long long path, for soon I'll follow you. I want to know each step you take, so I may take the same. For someday down that lonely road you'll hear me call your name.

--by Albert Kennedy "Rosey" Rowsell--

## *Acknowledgement*

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# A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR *Patricia Ann Bell*

**September 20, 1956 – June 7, 2022**



**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2022 - 11:00 AM**

**Beulah Baptist Church**  
580 South 12th Street • Newark, New Jersey

## Obituary

Patricia Ann Green, affectionately known as Pat, was born in Newark, NJ, to the late Cecile Green and Martin Green. Patricia was the baby girl of 11 children (Eleanor Slade, Margaret Palmer, Joan Bryant, Martin Green Jr., Nona Benjamin, Cecile Hall, Sherman Green, Kevin Green, Kenneth Green, and Barry Green) and two half-sisters (Dorothy Sutton and Ruth Sutton).

Patricia grew up on Wickliffe Street in Newark, NJ. She attended Robert Treat Elementary School and West Side High School, where she became Senior Class President, graduated top 10 in her class, received a full academic scholarship to Seton Hall University, and majored in Psychology.

Patricia went on to work at Ritter Sysco, becoming Clerical Supervisor for 18 years.

On September 2, 1973, Patricia met the love of her life, Joseph R. Bell, after being introduced by a close friend. They were married 11 years later, on October 12, 1984. Out of their union came five children: Joseph Bell Jr. (Dink), Johan Bell (Howdy), Jasmine Bell (Moopy), Jabree Bell (Mr. B), and Janeen Bell (Nene). Patricia was a wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother. She doted on her family and was happiest when surrounded by her tribe.

Patricia was a great speaker and loved to talk. She enjoyed debating, discussing ideals and morals, and pouring positivity into others. Her all time favorite quote was: "We fall down but we get up!" Patricia was a lively person who loved to dance and enjoy the company of her loved ones. Her absolute favorite singer was Anita Baker.

Patricia transitioned to paradise on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. She was predeceased by parents Cecile and Martin Green, and siblings: Dorothy, Ruth, Sherman, Kevin, Eleanor, Cecile and Joan.

Patricia is survived by her husband of 48 years, Joseph; her five children and 17 grandchildren (Ja'zon, J'naya, Jada, Journey, Jaheim, Emy'ah, Najee, Jabree Jr., Jabari, Josiah, Janiece, Justice, Jace, Titiana, J'nyah, Jalynn, and Theresa). She was also a bonus mom and grandmother to countless others. Patricia loved her grandbabies and took firsthand in loving and nurturing them all. If you knew Pat, you know she did not play about her grandchildren! Patricia spent the last 48 years loving her husband and children with everything in her. She also leaves to cherish her memories, her best friend and mentor Juanita Talbert and a host of other relatives and friends.



## 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

Glendale Cemetery  
Bloomfield, New Jersey