

Celebrating

100  
YEARS

OF LIFE



Edna May Barrett

*July 20, 1922 - December 26, 2022*

# Service Information

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023  
Viewing: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
Service: 10:00 AM

## **ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES, LLC**

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*Bishop Owen Z. Martin, Senior Pastor*  
(Life Worship Center C.O.G.O.P, Bronx NY)

*Garnet Gibson, Musician*

## **INTERMENT**

Rose Hills Memorial Park  
Putnam Valley, NY

# Order of Service

Hymn.....“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Opening Prayer .....Bishop Owen Z. Martin

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-9

New Testament - Matthew 7:24-29

Psalm 23 ..... Congregation

Hymn.....“Just a Little Talk With Jesus”

Tributes and Reflections

Obituary

Hymn.....“How Great Thou Art”

Words of Comfort .....Bishop Owen Z. Martin

Hymn.....“Amazing Grace”

Closing Prayer.....Bishop Owen Z. Martin

Benediction .....Bishop Owen Z. Martin

Recessional Hymn .....“Great is thy Faithfulness”



# Obituary

Edna was born on July 20, 1922, to Charles Radcliffe and Louisa Patrick Radcliffe in Victoria de Las Tunas, Cuba after her parents immigrated there in 1918 from Jamaica. Edna was the second of five children born to Charles and Louisa Radcliffe.

Upon the death of her father, the family continued to live in Cuba. Louisa along with the children managed the farm. Louisa later gave birth to Victor. Louisa, now raising 6 children, had to move to Jamaica as it was too difficult to stay in Cuba. When the family arrived in Jamaica, Edna only spoke Spanish. Within a year she quickly grasped English and continued her schooling in Jamaica. She later became a teacher at a primary school in Clarendon.

Edna later immigrated to the United States in 1945. She lived for many years with her Aunt Mabel and attended school. She delightfully tells of her brief time in Manhattan when she wanted to be an actress. Uncertain about what the future would hold, Edna returned to Jamaica and married Ansel Barrett. They owned and operated a furniture store for a few years. After a brief marriage, they divorced. This union produced no children. She once joked that was the reason she lived so long - no husband and no children.

Upon returning to the United States, she later decided on a stable career as a Hospital Dietician and later Supervisor. Edna worked at St. Barnabas Hospital for years.

Aunt Edna for as long as we knew her, lived on Grant Avenue. She never wanted to come to Florida and rarely visited. She once told us that everyone she knows who moves to Florida dies. Aunt Edna was very independent and had a daily routine that surely worked for her. Everyone says she was very classy and always well-dressed in her pantsuits. Aunt Edna enjoyed talking about politics and all of the latest news and happenings in New York. She kept up to date by watching television or listening to the radio.

Her siblings Sydney, Keith, Evelyn, Lorenzo, and Victor preceded her in death.

She leaves behind nieces and nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Aunt Edna, we will miss those long conversations. May the peace of the LORD always be with you.

## **Aunt Edna's Top Ten**

Never complained

Was okay with everything and never got upset or stressed

Ate healthily and did not overeat

Cooked her own food

Did not use a microwave or cell phone

Enjoyed the moment

Had good bowel movements

One interest - politics, news

Always read the instructions

A sip of brandy nightly



## *What a Friend we Have in Jesus*

What a Friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer;  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer;  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,  
Thou wilt find a solace there.

## *Just a Little Talk With Jesus*

I once was lost in sin  
but Jesus took me in  
And then a little light from  
heaven fill my soul  
He bathed my heart in love  
and He wrote my name above  
And just a little talk with Jesus  
makes me whole

Refrain.

Now let us have a little talk with Jesus  
Let us tell Him all about our troubles  
He will hear our faintest cry  
And He will answer by and by  
Now when you feel a little pray'r  
wheel turning  
And you know a little fire is burning  
You will find a little talk with Jesus  
Makes it right

I may have doubts and fears  
My eyes be filled with tears  
But Jesus is a friend  
who watches day and night  
I go to him in prayer  
He knows my every care  
And just a little talk with Jesus  
makes it right [Refrain]

## *How Great Thou Art*

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hands hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain.

Then sings my soul, my Savior—God, to thee.  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior—God, to thee.  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim: "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch; like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come:  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun.

# Precious Memories







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