

## Reflection of Life

Sunrise: February 28, 1969 - Sunset: February 28, 2024

Melinda J. Fill affectionately known as "MeeMee" was born on February 28, 1969 in Newark, NJ to Nora and the late Charlie Hill.

Melinda was educated in the East Orange Public School system. She graduated from Clifford J. Scott High School in 1987. Melinda was formerly employed by the City of East Orange and the East Orange School District. Melinda loved the City of East Orange; she was a pillar of her community. She was a part of most of the events that took place in East Orange. If you needed to know anything about the City of East Orange she was the person to go to.

Melinda loved kids and enjoyed working at the recreation center. She mentored and helped out so many troubled kids whether it was being a listening ear, providing resources or giving advice. Her love for children inspired her to start an organization called Save the Kids Village. A non-profit organization where she hosted talent shows & events for children, donating, food, clothes, school supplies, Christmas presents, etc. as her way of giving back to the community. Being able to work and help children is what made her job fun and enjoyable.

Melinda was a very family oriented person. Her number one love were her children and sixteen grandchildren (which she was proud to tell every chance she had). She was the life of the party, she lit up any room she entered. She loved to dance, play spades with her friends and most of all laugh. She had the most infectious laugh, that once you heard it you could not help but laugh

too. Melinda never met a stranger, once you had the pleasure of meeting her she was someone who you could never forget, everyone knew and loved "MeeMee".

Melinda was a member of Citadel of Mission where she sang on the church choir and was the lead singer on the worship team. Her favorite praise and worship song was "His Eye Is On The Sparrow."

Melinda went to join in heaven: her father, Charlie Hill, uncle, William Harris, Sr. "Bill", aunt, Eleanor Joyce Branch, best friend, Zenobia Singletary Banks, and sisterin-law, Bernette Lewis.

"I've done everything I had to do", and on her 55th birthday Wednesday, February 28, 2024 with her family by her side she went on her next journey. She will be deeply missed.

Melinda leaves to cherish her love, light & legacy to her mother, Nora; husband, Sean; six children, Takia, Tamikah (Davahn), Tashirah (Rashawn, Sr.), Lorenzo, Jr., Lamar and Edward, Jr.; four siblings, Cletis (Allison), Deron, Tammy and Charity (Kevoie); 16 grandchildren, Qwasir, Ni'Maya, Aazori, Rashawn, Jr., Itiyana, Khamani, Aamani, Layla, Tali, Ni'Yana, Lorenzo "Malachi", Tayla, Ni'Kayla, Emmanuel, Charli and Talani; nieces and nephews, Ajaa, Adina, Shakirah, Shante, Ron, Janae, Aniyah, La'Caiya, Raquan, Nyla and KJ; special daughter, Tiarra; three best friends, Cynthia, Loretta and Lisa; four godchildren, Amina, Fajr, Jahsin and Zarayah; children's fathers, Lorenzo, Sr. and Edward Sr.; and a host of aunts, uncles, special grandchildren, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Her smile and generous spirit will be forever etched in our hearts.

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 - 12:00 pm

Citadel of Hope Mission 70 N. Grove Street, East Orange, NJ 07017 Rev. Wade Barnett, Pastor

## Order of Service

## **Processional**

**Selection**Melinda Hill (Recording)

**Scripture Readings** 

**Prayer** 

**Selection** Rashawn Morris, Jr. (Grandson)

Acknowledgements

Remarks (2 Minutes each Please)

**Obituary** Itiyana Melton (Granddaughter)

Selection

**Eulogy** Rev. Wade Barnett

Recessional



Rosedale Cemetery Montclair, New Jersey

Repast immediately following the interment at Fellowship Civic Center 1 Fellowship Cir, East Orange, NJ 07017























## Roses (For Mom

If roses grow in heaven, Lord please pick a bunch for us. place them in our mother's arms and tell her they're from us. Tell her we love her and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for awhile. Because remembering her is easy, we do it every day, but there's an ache within our hearts that will never go away.

~ Love, Your Children 💝





The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, comforting words, and prayers shown during our time of bereavement.

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