

*In Loving Memory Of*



*Doris Jean Dixon-Spencer*

SUNRISE: APRIL 25, 1954 - SUNSET: JANUARY 20, 2025

*Memorial Service*

Friday, April 25, 2025 • 2:30 P.M.

**BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME**

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# Obituary

**DORIS JEAN DIXON-SPENCER** was born on April 25th, 1954 to Dennis Dixon and Lessie Mae Braswell in Ayden, North Carolina, one of what would be sixteen children. From her youth, she was full of a zest for life and had a passion for both loving and helping others. Community, be it family, friends, or neighbors was the very embodiment of who Doris was.

In her late adolescence, Doris would eventually migrate from North Carolina and settle in the Bronx, New York where she lived with her late sister Louise, and her nieces, Annette and Denise, whom would later in life be more like her own little sisters. Doris went to Taft High school where she would become a cheerleader and in true fairy tale fashion, go on to meet and marry one of the high school basketball's preeminent players, Derrick Spencer. After seven years of courtship, she and Derrick wed surrounded by countless family members and friends alike and had two daughters, Samantha and Jade Spencer. Doris embraced both motherhood and her role as a grandmother with open arms in addition to being a community leader and memorable fixture at Amalgamated Housing Cooperative, where she faithfully was employed for over thirty years, until her retirement in March of 2022.

Doris is survived by her daughters, Jade Spencer and Samantha Spencer-Faulkner, her five grandchildren, Willie, Savannah, Rylee, Skylar, Jonah and Zuri, as well as her siblings, sisters Addie and Kathleen, brothers Willie and Edgar, and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family members and countless friends.

May it be known that the light that emanated from everything Doris has ever done will never be extinguished. We find comfort in knowing that she is now reunited with her husband Derrick, her two angel grandchildren Micah and Olivia, her siblings, extended family and friends who have gone on to meet the Lord before her.

God needed her more than we do and in this we find our hope, joy and peace. We rejoice in God's final call to her- *"My good and faithful servant, with whom I am well pleased"* (Matthew 25:21 NIV).

*Arrangements Entrusted to:*



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