



Her Journey's Just Begun

*Don't think of her as gone away,
her journey's just begun,
Life holds so many facets,
this earth is only one,
Just think of her as resting,
from the sorrows and the tears,
In a place of warmth and comfort,
where there are no days or years,
Think how she must be wishing,
that we could know today,
How nothing but our sadness,
can really pass away,
And think of her as living,
in the hearts of those she touched,
For nothing loved is ever lost,
and she was loved so much.*

Acknowledgments

Our family wishes to extend our profound and sincere gratitude for the outpouring of love, support, and prayers during this difficult time. Through our cherished memories, **ELFREDIA** will live on in our hearts forever. May we continue to celebrate her life by living freely and with gratitude every single day that we have the ability to take a breath.

Arrangements Entrusted to:


BENTA'S
Funeral Home, Inc.
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In Loving Memory of



Elfredia Waddell Mason

SUNRISE: JANUARY 23, 1931 - SUNSET: MAY 30, 2024

Funeral Service

Monday, June 10, 2024 • 1:00 P.M.

BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME

630 St. Nicholas Avenue • New York, NY 10030

REVEREND JAMES LOGAN, *Officiating*

FABIAN RALPH, *Minister of Music*

BROTHER JERRY WILLIAMS, *Soloist*

Dissolution

WOODLAWN CEMETERY

Bronx, New York

Order of Service

MUSICAL PRELUDE

INVOCATION REVEREND JAMES LOGAN

SCRIPTURE READING REVEREND JAMES LOGAN

OLD TESTAMENT PSALM 23

NEW TESTAMENT 1 JOHN 4-7-15

MUSICAL SELECTION BROTHER JERRY WILLIAMS

REMEMBRANCES FAMILY & FRIENDS

(Two Minutes Please)

OBITUARY READING PAULETTE Y. DANIELS

EULOGY REVEREND JAMES LOGAN

COMMITTAL & BENEDICTION REVEREND JAMES LOGAN

FINAL VIEWING

RECESSIONAL

Obituary

ELFREDIA MASON was the last of six children born January 23, 1931, in Greensboro, North Carolina to the late Mary and Harvey Waddell. She was raised by a loving and caring father after the early passing of her mother. Elfredia was the youngest of six siblings who all preceded her in death.

Elfredia grew up in Greensboro, North Carolina, where she attended public school and graduated from James B. Dudley High School in June 1949. Following high school, she attended A&T University. She resisted the temptation for some time to relocate to New York City like the rest of her siblings had previously done. She remained in Greensboro, North Carolina, attended Providence Baptist Church, fell in love and married the love of her life, Emmett Mason who predeceased her.

Elfredia did, however, eventually move to New York City in 1961 and was well received by her siblings and many nieces and nephews. She made a career in the New York City Police Department and worked there for seventeen years until she retired. First Corinthian Baptist Church had been Elfredia's spiritual home for many years. She loved singing and sang in the Senior Gospel & Celestial Choir until it was discontinued. She was also a member of the First Lady's Club.

Aunt Elfredia passed away peacefully and leaves to mourn her nieces and nephew: Peggie Waddell (New York), Joyce Taylor (New York), Patricia Pinnix (New York), Helen Waddell (Nevada), Cynthia Hairston (New York), Robert Taylor & wife, Libby (New York) and a host of grand and great grand nieces and nephews.

Aunt Elfredia will truly be missed.
