

## *Afterglow*

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.*

*I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.*

*I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,*

*Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.*

*I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;*

*Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.*



## *Expressions of Gratitude*

The **PIERRE-PROCTOR** Family gratefully acknowledges all expressions of condolences, prayers, acts of immense kindness and loving support. Damon Davis, Jacqueline Morgan, Jacintha Shorte, Lantern House Club Members: A very special and heartfelt "Thank You" for all your love, support and friendship for our beloved Sister through the years.

## *Repast follows the Service*



## *Arrangements Entrusted to:*



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## *In Loving Memory*



## *Ophelia Rosalie Pierre-Proctor*

SUNRISE: MARCH 23, 1951 - SUNSET: JULY 1, 2020

## *Funeral Service*

Friday, July 17, 2020 • 12:00 P.M.

**BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME**

630 St. Nicholas Avenue • New York, NY 10030

**MINISTER MAMIE PAUL**, *Officiating*

**DR. GREGORY HOPKINS**, *Musician*

## *Cremation*

**FERNCLIFF CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**

Hartsdale, New York

# Order of Service

**ORGAN PRELUDE** ..... DR. GREGORY HOPKINS

**INVOCATION** .....MINISTER MAMIE PAUL

**SELECTION** ..... “AMAZING GRACE”  
Ms. INCI AKIDIL

**SCRIPTURE READING**

OLD TESTAMENT ..... PSALM 23  
NEW TESTAMENT ..... JOHN CH.14 VI-8

**PRAYER OF COMFORT** .....MINISTER MAMIE PAUL

**SELECTION** ..... “BIRD ALONE”  
Ms. INCI AKIDIL

**REFLECTIONS** ..... DR. THELMA DAVIDSON ADAIR

**OBITUARY** ..... DR. ESTHER PIERRE HYATT

**SELECTION** ..... “THE WAY WE WERE”  
Ms. INCI AKIDIL

**EULOGY** .....MINISTER MAMIE PAUL

**BENEDICTION** .....MINISTER MAMIE PAUL

**FINAL VIEWING**

**RECESSIONAL** ..... DR. GREGORY HOPKINS

# Obituary

**OPHELIA ROSALIE PIERRE-PROCTOR**, was born as one of nine children to beloved parents, James Goodwille Pierre and Nettie Mills Pierre in New York City on March 23, 1951. She departed this life on July 1, 2020 in the City of her birth. Her early years were spent in Harlem, New York and Hollis Queens, New York, where she matriculated from elementary through high school. A scholar in Mathematics, possessing also musical artistic talent, she was a member of her high school Orchestra where she played the viola. Upon High School graduation, Ophelia was awarded an Academic Diploma.

She pursued College studies at New York University and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mathematics from Marymount College in New York City. Ophelia and Paul Proctor were joined in holy matrimony and enjoyed a loving and devoted marriage. Paul predeceased her in death. Primarily a Homemaker, her professional employment profile included a favored position of Education Assistant at the New York Board of Education.

Good Gospel music brought Ophelia’s soul great joy and she particularly enjoyed spiritual renditions by Donnie McClurkin and Kirk Franklin singing praises to God.

Admired by friends, she especially loved the association with members of The Lantern House Club where she was considered a “Gem”. Ophelia deeply loved her family and nurtured relationships with her siblings, not only never forgetting their Birthdays, but reminding them to honor each others’ special days. The mantra of her life that she embodied and lived was “Love Makes a Family”. It is because of her love and caring good life, scholastic and other achievements and great courage that the family now mourns precious memories of her from childhood to her passing:

Sisters: Esther, Judy, Rhoda, Yvette, Juliette

Brothers: Thomas ( Elaine), Abraham

Nieces: Melody, Angelique, Andrea Imani

Nephews: James, Thomas, Cyruss

Grand Nieces: Joi, Jada, Mecca, Maya

And a host of Cousins in Toronto, Canada; Vancouver, British Columbia; New Zealand; Trinidad and Tobago and Friends join in her mourning.