

In Loving Memory of



Celestine Lawrence

Sunrise

January 11, 1936

Sunset

September 20, 2010

*Monday, September 27, 2010
10:00 a.m.*

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Obituary

Celestine Lawrence the daughter of the late John and Mary Goss was born on January 11, 1936.

She attended school in Charleston, South Carolina. She came to New York City in 1956. She worked for the United States Post Office for a number of years, and was also employed at Bellevue Hospital as a Certified Nurses Aide until retirement. She attended Mother A.M.E. Zion Church for a number of years before moving to Queens.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: two sisters, Ruth Dawson, Mary Palmer (Eddie Palmer); one brother, John Goss, all from Charleston, SC; four daughters, Cynthia (Texas), Christine (Florida), Linda (Bronx), Veronica (Queens); one son, Preston (Brooklyn); ten grandchildren, Preston, Rayshawn, Larry, Anthony, Michelle, Vincent, Vance, Quantez, Robert and Katana; eleven great grandchildren, Mya, Vyanna, Vincent, Jr., Javon, Amelia, Taniyah, Brooklyn, Iyona, Darryn, Kaliyah and Kayleigh; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

*Lovingly Submitted,
The Family*

Order of Service

Processional

Mistress of Ceremonies Minister Sharon Pickett

Invocation

Hymn

Scripture Reading Elder Douglas Howard

Old Testament Psalm 23

New Testament St. John 14:1-6

Solo

Reflections Harold Backman

Obituary

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Mount Rest Cemetery

Butler, New Jersey



Footprints

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD.

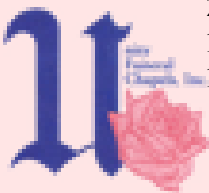
When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life.

This really bothered her and she questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."
(Author Unknown)

Acknowledgement

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