

*A Celebration of Life For*



*Velda Celestia Barrow*

**Sunrise:**  
January 11, 1931

**Sunset:**  
May 28, 2012

**Service**

Friday, June 1, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

**LOVE OF JESUS FAMILY CHURCH**

448 Highland Avenue • Orange, NJ 07050

*Rev. Laura Wright, Officiating*

## *Obituary*

**Velda Celestia Barrow** was born January 11, 1931 in Barbados to the late Eilleene Barrow. She was the eldest of two beautiful daughters.

She migrated to the United States in her late forties, wanting to make a change in her life.

Velda loved to cook, there wasn't anything she could not prepare. In her home country she often prepared a popular traditional meal Cou Cou and Flying Fish, everyone would follow their noses to her kitchen door.

When she arrived in New Jersey she didn't miss a beat. She joined the staff at Wendy's Restaurant doing what came naturally, working with food. It wasn't too long down the road before her management skills became obvious and she was soon promoted to manager. There she remained teaching others just like a mother, until she retired.

After retiring if that's what you want to call it she just could not sit still. She worked for J.S. Management for several years. A trustworthy soul. Velda was an inspiration to so many.

As life progressed forward, Velda had to slow down. Her health wasn't the same, she decided to return to Barbados where she lived with her daughter Maria and grandchildren. When her health became worst her daughter Jacqueline returned her to the States to provide primary care at home.

When the time came for twenty-four hour care she was placed in the Brookhaven Nursing Home in East Orange, NJ.

On May 28, 2012, Velda finally retired from her earthly labors at the East Orange General Hospital.

Velda Celestia Barrow will continue to live on in the hearts and minds of those she loved and those that loved her.

Velda Barrow leaves her precious memories with: her beloved children, Grantley Barrow, Maria Barrow, Janice Barrow, Jacqueline Simpson; her five grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, many friends and family.

# *Order of Service*

Prayer of Comfort ..... Rev. Clairenia Jones

Hymn ..... “Jesus Lamb Of God Worthy Is Your Name”

## Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 91: 1-2 ..... Maria Barrow

New Testament: I Corinthians 15: 51-59 ..... Deaconess Merle Stephens

Hymn ..... “Lead Us Heavenly Father Lead U”

Reading The Obituary ..... Kerri-ann Alleyne

Eulogy ..... Rev. Laura Wright

Benediction

***Final Repose***

*Arlington Cemetery*

*Kearny, New Jersey*



## ***God Took Her To His Loving Home***

*God took her to His loving home  
God saw her getting tired,  
A cure was not to be  
He wrapped her in His loving arms  
And whispered "Come With Me"  
She suffered much in silence  
Her spirit did not bend,  
She faced her pain with courage  
Until the very end,  
She tried so hard to stay with us  
But her fight was not in vain  
God took her to his loving home  
And freed her from the pain*

### ***Acknowledgements***

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