

*In Loving Memory of*



***Bernice D. Edwards - Rheams***

*Sunrise*

January 8, 1946

*Sunset*

October 20, 2012

Service

Friday, October 26, 2012 - 12:00 Noon

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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## Obituary

**Bernice Desiree Edwards-Rheams** was born on January 8, 1946 in New York City to Alfred and Minnie Edwards. She was affectionately known as Des, Desi or Momma E. Bernice was the eldest of three children. She was preceded in death by her brother, Alfred Edwards Jr.

She received her formal education in New York City attending Washington Irving High School and York College where she received her BA in Liberal Arts.

Bernice fell in love and married Arthur Rheams. Who preceded her in death in 1986.

She loved to read, travel and donated to many charities. Her favorite was the ASPCA.

Bernice was employed by the MTA as a station agent for thirty years. She retired August 2011.

Bernice leaves to mourn: one son, Lorrel Hughes; one grandson, Tyquane Hughes; one sister, Sheila Baptiste-Edwards; one adopted sister, Ramona Ross Minor; thirteen nieces and nephews, Rodney, Yakiem, Shakira, Marshall, Samara, Tina, Nicki, Amina, Naimah, Kalem, Alisha, James Jr and Monique; and a host of relatives and friends. In addition she also leaves close friends, Shirlene Jackson and Brenda Butler.

*To some you may be forgotten,  
To others just a part of the past.  
To those of us who loved you,  
Our memories will last.*

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

## **Interment**

Woodlawn Cemetery  
Bronx, New York

## *You Better Believe It!"*

*When I die  
do not cry for my life has come full circle.  
I've lived my life  
with those I've loved and friends who were  
just perfect.  
I now reside  
in a place of peace and all things are in  
perspective.*



### *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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