



*Reflections of
Life for*

Idolly Louise Thurton

Sunrise
August 8, 1926

Sunset
December 29, 2012

Service
Saturday, January 5, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

**SPRINGFIELD GARDENS UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

131-29 Farmers Blvd.
Jamaica, New York 11434

Rev. Dr. Glyger Beach, Officiating

Obituary

Idolly Louise Pascascio was born to Hildebrand and Mae Pascascio on August 8, 1926 in Belize City, Belize and expired on December 29, 2012.

“Dolly”, as she was affectionately called, accepted Christ at an early age in Belize and has been a member of Grace United Methodist Church since her immigration to New York City in the early 70’s. Dolly was raised in a very close knit and loving family. Dolly met her first and true love, Colin Thurton, when she was a teenager. Colin and Dolly attended the same primary school – Ebenezer Primary School and shared their first kiss during a performance in a school play.

Colin and Dolly drifted apart after primary school and went on to have separate adult lives for a time with Colin finding work in the United States and Dolly remaining in Belize. In Belize, Dolly worked first as an elementary school teacher at Ebenezer Primary School, that is why some folks call her “Teacher Dol”. She moved on to work as a typesetter at Billboard Press Newspaper. During this timeframe, Dolly’s journey as a wonderful, loving mother began with the birth of her first child and only daughter, Elaine Whyllie Jones. Colin also became a loving father to a son, Colin Thurton II and two daughters, Theola Bookins and Marie Richards.

Colin and Dolly were reunited with the assistance of Dolly’s Uncle Hildebrand Burns. Colin and Hildebrand Burns worked together in the U.S. Hildebrand knew of the longstanding love of both Dolly and Colin so he reconnected the lovebirds. Colin and Dolly rekindled their love via love letters sent between the U.S. and Belize. The long distance love affair culminated in holy matrimony. From this union, three children were born: Errol Colin I, Mark Anthony Colin, and Dennis Conrad Colin. The three boys joined their older siblings Colin, Elaine, Theola, and Marie in the formation of a wonderful and supportive family.

With Belize forever in their hearts and minds, Dolly and Colin migrated their entire family to the United States in 1968, and worked hard to create a better life for their family. Sadly, Colin was called home to God in 1970 when Dolly’s youngest son was 5 years old. Dolly found herself in a new unfamiliar country with a young family to support alone. Her faith and family kept her strong. She worked initially as a Medical Secretary in Chicago, however, when the family moved to New York she began working as a Nurse’s Aide for Mary Immaculate Hospital. Dolly worked at Mary Immaculate Hospital from 1969 until her retirement in 1991. Her house was her castle and her garden was her joy. She felt God’s presence whenever she was in her garden. She loved plants and flowers and made sure all of her children knew how to garden and create something from nothing to reflect their talents and God’s blessings. Her home was a pathway to a better life for many family members and friends coming to the United States. She never turned anyone away and shared her bounty with her community and neighbors. She embraced family and her home with great warmth and sensitivity. Her home was often the gathering place for the neighborhood kids and many of her family’s friends and loved ones. Dolly’s home was the center of many memorable holiday celebrations and parties.

Dolly was a proud woman. She was dedicated and committed in every aspect of her life. She was a beloved sister, devoted wife, loving mother, graceful grandmother and blessed great-grandmother. She leaves to mourn her passing, a brother, Kenneth Pascascio, a sister, Cornelia Pascascio Tannis, one daughter, Elaine Jones, three sons, Errol Colin Thurton I, Mark Anthony Colin Thurton, and Dennis Conrad Colin Thurton, three step children, Colin Thurton II, Theola Bookins and Marie Richards, one sister-in-law, Jean Pascascio, one brother-in-law, Evans Tannis, three daughters-in-law, Elaine Thurton, Lori Ryan-Thurton, and Pauline Jeanette Thurton, five grandchildren, Kim Karen Fyffe, Errol Colin Thurton II, Christiana Aryane Antoinette Thurton, Gia Elizabeth Noelle Thurton and Deline Dolly Ann Grace Thurton, three great-grandchildren: Darrell Gregory Fyffe, Krystal Leonora Fyffe and Errol Colin Thurton III, one grandson-in-law, Darrell Fyffe, one granddaughter-in-law, Cristina McKenzie-Thurton; and a host of nieces, nephews, grand nieces and nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

When asked what she wanted us to say as her home going, her reply was always “ I loved and I was loved”. Yes, she loved and was loved and will always be loved.

Order of Service

Processional

Hymn.....“Love Lifted Me”

Poem Never Alone

Prayer.....Reverend G. Beach

Hymn “It Is Well With My Soul”

Old Testament Reading Psalm 142

Gospel John 14: 1-6 and 27

Epistle.....Romans 8: 28, 35, 37-39

Reflections by Family and Friends

Obituary Christiana Thurton

Eulogy..... Reverend G. Beach

Acknowledgements of
Condolences.....Errol Thurton II

Hymn“Guide Me O Though Great Jehovah”

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Rockville Cemetery
Lynbrook, New York

Never Alone

He can calm the troubled waters
When you walk in dark despair.
There is hope when you feel helpless
Knowing that the Lord is there...
Sharing in your sunshine moments
Or in valleys deep and wide,
He will never, ever leave you -
He is always by your side.
There's no other friend so faithful
Through the sunshine and the rain,
Through the teardrops and the laughter,
In your joy and in your pain.
We could never, ever thank Him
For His love He gives so free,
Never changing... never ending
Throughout all eternity.
Oh, the wonder of all wonders
As we live from day to day,
Knowing that we have a Father
Who is with us all the way.

Gertrude B. McClain

*You will show me the path to life, abounding joy in Your presence,
the delights at Your right hand forever. Psalm 16:11*

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