

*In Loving Memory of*

*Thecla Sealey Robinson*

*Sunrise*  
April 26, 1966

*Sunset*  
January 17, 2013

Service  
Thursday, January 24, 2013 - 12:00 Noon

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS INC.**  
2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY  
*The Rev. Violet L.D. Lee, Ph.D., Officiating*

## *Obituary*

**Thecla Beverly Juliet Sealey Robinson** was born on the beautiful island of Trinidad on April 26, 1966. She spent her early childhood years with her sister and four other cousins in the home of her maternal grandmother being loved and cared for. At the tender age of five she entered the St. Joseph Girls Roman Catholic Elementary School, then went on to the St. Charles Secondary School.

Upon completion of her academics, she decided to migrate to the United States to become a Registered Nurse. She left Trinidad and came to New York in 1994. During her early years in the US, she had her first and only child, a son, Kyle Philips. She later met a young man from Harlem, Mark A. Robinson, fell in love and married him in 1995. Thecla, as she was fondly known, loved life, she loved children and the elderly. She had a passion for cooking and was very skilled at it. She would invite her friends over to get a sample of her traditional “TRINI” cuisine.

Thecla never completed her nursing career. After her son was diagnosed with Autism, he became her main focus and priority. This was a heavy burden, but with the help of her mother and the inner strength she possessed, she maintained her composure. Eventually, she became a Home Health Aide, working part time caring for the elderly, a job she loved doing.

Thecla Beverly Juliet Sealey-Robinson will be fondly remembered as the wife of Mark A. Robinson, mother of Kyle D. Philips, daughter of Margaret Sealey and Glendon Toussaint, daughter-in-law of Charity L. Harris, sister of Marianne Sealey, Carleen Harris (Zinga), Sheldon Toussaint and four others, aunt of Marcus and Ranaa Sealey, niece of Samuel, Irma and Judy Sealey (deceased), cousin of Kenrick, Terrence, Cheri-Ann, Shawn, Kevin Sealey, Keisha Roberts and Kenisha, second cousins of Johan, Alyssa, Sasha, Kevon, Joshua, Shania, Justin, Adriel and Soria, relative of Steve, Rudolph, Patsy, Joyce, Alleyne, Rawl Cox and Roxanne Sealey, in-law of Tamah Williams and the Harrington family, friend of Sharon, Pamela, Cassandra, Merlin, Theresa and Carl Bruce.

# *Order of Service*

## **Invocation**

### **Congregational Hymn**

“Blessed Assurance”

### **Scripture Reading**

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - Rev. 21:1-7

## **Prayer of Comfort**

### **Solo**

“In The Sweet By And By”

## **Acknowledgements and Remarks**

### **The Obituary**

Samuel Sealey

### **Solo**

Church Organist

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

### **Eulogy**

The Rev. Violet L.D. Lee, Ph.D.

## **Committal**

## **Benediction**

### **Final Disposition**

Oxford Hills Crematory

Chester, New York

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late **Thecla Beverly Juliet Sealey-Robinson**  
sincerely appreciate all who joined their hearts, hands and  
prayers with us in this time of sorrow.*

*May God Bless You All!*

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