

A Celebration of Life

Elaine Bell



Sunrise
January 6, 1945

Sunset
January 18, 2013

Service

Friday, January 25, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

100 Montgomery Street
Newark, New Jersey

Pastor Rakeem S. Thomas, Senior Servant

Obituary

Elaine was born in Smithfield, North Carolina on January 6, 1945 to the late Mack Sanders and Estelle Rowland-Sanders.

She graduated from the Johnston County Public School system in North Carolina and attended Suvella Beauty School in Raleigh, North Carolina where she met her husband, Theartis Bell. Elaine and Theartis relocated to Newark, New Jersey in the mid 1960's, where she worked at Barlyn Manufacturing Company for many years until she returned to the world of Cosmetology. Elaine worked as a cosmetologist for over twenty years and later became a CNA and managed to work both until her health failed her.

Elaine loved to cook, loved to plant flowers and sit in her backyard. She was always willing to lend a helping hand to family and friends when they needed it. Elaine was the ultimate party host, for several years she hosted an annual family and friend day at her house. Her home was known for big dinners, cookouts, and family gatherings. There was always plenty to eat, drink, and a doggy bag to go. In her quiet time she loved word search puzzles, listening and collecting 60's R&B music and watching home movies. Her favorite thing to do was to collect birds figurines and frame historical pictures.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mack and Estelle Sanders, her brother, James R. Sanders and her beloved daughter, Martina Bell.

She leaves precious memories with her devoted husband of forty-eight years, Theartis Bell; granddaughter, Brianna Bell all of the home Newark, NJ; sisters, Rebecca Boone-Sanders of Smithfield, NC, Janice Sanders-Moye of Orange, NJ and Lois Sanders of Raleigh, NC; brothers, Maurice Sanders of Washington DC, Richard Sanders of Newark, NJ, Mack Sanders III of Benson, NC, Wilbert L. Sanders of Wendell, NC and Frederick Sanders of Hickory, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude

Solo Mrs. Shari Cooper

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Deacon Maurice Sanders

New Testament Elder Sim Bell

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Joe D. McClain

Acknowledgement / Resolutions Mrs. Martha Washington

Obituary Mrs. Kitty Davis

Remarks Senator Ronald Rice

Elder Sim Bell

Janice Sanders-Moye

Solo Mrs. Shari Cooper

Eulogy Rev. George Davis, Pastor

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Recessional

Entombment

Hollywood Memorial Park

Union, New Jersey

Pallbearers

Nephews and Friends

Flower Bearers

Nieces and Friends

*Our rose bush has lost a rose.
Although the rest of our petals are
droopy in our loss, we can celebrate
the memories and legacy she leaves
behind. When the birds visit the
garden just to perch and sip the
nectar, one rose on the bush will have
bloomed into an eternal flower.*



Acknowledgement

The Bell family would like to thank each and every one for their acts of kindness. We count it a joy to have family and friends like you.

Whatever act of kindness you showed we thank you so much. We thank you for all you did to console our hearts whether through your time, food, flowers and your prayers.

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