

*A Home Going Service  
for*



*Daphne Evadney Mendez*

*Sunrise*

*January 31, 1927*

*Sunset*

*January 27, 2013*

*Service*

*Saturday, February 2, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.*

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## Obituary

**Daphne Evadney Mendez**, beloved daughter of the late Fernando and Lurline Johnson, was born on January 31, 1927 in Niquero, Cuba, and departed this life on Sunday, January 27, 2013, at her home in Queens Village, NY.

Daphne was educated in Cuba and Jamaica, earning her undergraduate and Master's degrees in Education from St. Simone College, Jamaica and a Doctorate in Education from the University of Havana, Cuba. After graduating, she taught English to students in Cuba for several years.

Daphne married Pedro Enrique Mendez, on August 25, 1962 in Manzanillo, Cuba. They migrated to the United States in 1963 and a year later they were blessed with their daughter, Laura.

Daphne continued her education, receiving a Master's in School Counseling from Long Island University, a Master's in Education from St. John's University and a Doctorate in Special Education. She spent 30 wonderful years as a school counselor and special education teacher for the City of New York Board of Education, receiving many awards for her outstanding work as a teacher and counselor. Daphne's most cherished award was presented to her in 1973, by then New York City Mayor John B. Lindsay, for her dedication to and success in teaching Spanish to the New York City Police Department. Daphne continued expanding her education throughout her career, up to her retirement in 1995.

Daphne was predeceased by her parents and her brothers, Harry Johnson and Fernando Johnson.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Laura Mendez-Barfield; son-in-law, Timothy; granddaughter, Timaura Barfield; sister, Catalina Robinson; and a host of nieces, nephews and extended family.

Daphne will be lovingly remembered by all who knew her for her strong faith in God and great belief in education. She was a warm, loving, caring, generous person who celebrated life and family, and will be missed by all who knew her.

## Order of Service

Processional of Family ..... Elder Mary Goodwyn

Song of Tribute ..... “You Were Loved” by Wynonna Judd

Psalm 139: 1-24 ..... Ruth Frazer-Munroe

1 Corinthians 15: 50-58 ..... Lyle Munroe

Psalm 23 (to be read in Spanish) ..... Ana Phebus

Prayer of Comfort ..... Elder Mary Goodwyn

Special Selection ..... “His Eye Is On the Sparrow”  
Soloist: Janet Morales

Remarks / Condolences

The Obituary.....Charmaine Stewart &  
Cheryl Smalls

Song of Victory ..... Mr. Allen Fooks

Eulogy..... Elder Mary Goodwyn  
Gethsemane Tabernacle,  
Trenton, NJ

Mortician’s Brief

Recessional

**Interment**

Pinelawn Memorial Park  
Farmingdale, New York

Repast will be held at the Mendez Residence  
110-11 Monterey Street  
Queens Village, NY 11429.

## *Afterglow*

*I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave an afterglow  
Of smiles when day is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
Whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
And bright and sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve  
To dry before the sun  
Of happy memories that I leave behind,  
When the day is done.*

*-Helen Lowrie Marshall*

### *Acknowledgements*

Laura Mendez-Barfield and her family would like to sincerely thank everyone for their support and expressions of sympathy.

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