

# <u>Obituary</u>

Annie Randall was born to Frank and Jessie Savage on August 23, 1948. Annie was born in New York City the third of four children. Her siblings were, Ronald, Vaughan and Vergie. Annie's journey here on earth ended at 5:16 p.m. on Sunday, February 3rd at Franklin Hospital in Valley Stream, NY (Long Island). On this day, Annie passed peacefully and was surrounded by family and friends.

Annie was raised in Harlem, New York. Following her graduation from Charles Evans Hughes High School, Annie worked various jobs before starting her long time career at GHI, where she worked as a Senior Provider Correspondent for over thirty-eight years. During her time at GHI Annie met and married Clifford Randall. Together they had two children, Tanya and Clifford Jr. After twenty plus years of marriage Annie and Clifford Sr. divorced and Annie later found her true soul mate Orville Blythe, whom she was with for over twenty-five years. After spending many years in Harlem, Annie later relocated to Queens, New York.

During her time at GHI Annie developed amazing friendships. Her best friends, Cathy, Carol, Cheryl and Brenda spent many days and nights laughing, joking and living life to the fullest. After many years at GHI, Annie retired in March 2006 at the age of fifty-eight.

She was a vivacious, fun loving individual whose spirit and energy could fill an empty room, Annie loved sharing stories and was always the life of the party. She could often be heard sharing her favorite sayings "Get it together", "Do the wrong things right", "Put your birth certificate on the refrigerator" and "You must be having a private summer". She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, Clinique, Nazir, Niles and Nanette, and great-grandson, Isaiah all of which she went to no ends to show love and support. Annie was always there to lend a helping hand, offering advice and words of encouragement to her many friends and family members.

Annie was passionate about living life to the fullest, but one of her main passions was interior design, her home in Queens was immaculate and often times friends and family would seek her out for design advice. Annie thoroughly enjoyed traveling and visited several countries during her retirement. Her favorite place to vacation was Jamaica. In her normal generous fashion Annie took her grandson, great-grandchild, great-niece and god-daughter to Disney World for Christmas. This would be Annie's last trip.

To rejoice in Annie's memory are: her children, Tanya and Clifford Randall; her only surviving sister, Vergie Savage-Branch; brother-in-law, William Branch; grandchildren, Clinique, Nazir, Niles and Nanette; and great-grandson, Isaiah; nieces, Dishawn, India and Theresa Watkins; nephew, Douglas Watkins; and great nephews and great niece, Tyriek, Tory and Shania; she also leaves behind numerous loving relatives and friends who will greatly miss her.

## Order of Service

Processional

Solo Jacci McGhee

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Solo John James

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary *Angie Bendy* 

Selection

Jacci McGhee and John James

Eulogy Dr. Johnnie M. Green, Jr.

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

#### **Entombment**

Pine Lawn Mausoleum Pinelawn, New York

### When Comorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, And I'm not there to see; If the sun should rise and find your eyes, All filled with tears for me; I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today; While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, As much as I love you; and each time that you think of me, I know I'll miss you too; But when tomorrow starts without me, Please try to understand, That an angel came and called my name, And took me by the hand, And said my place was ready, in heaven far above, And that I'd have to leave behind, All those I dearly love. But as I turned to walk away, A tear fell from my eye; For all my life I'd always thought, I didn't want to die. I had so much to live for, So much yet to do, It seemed almost impossible, That I was leaving you. I thought of all the yesterdays, The good ones and the bad, I thought of all the love we shared, and all the fun we had. If I could relive yesterday, just even for a while, I'd say goodbye and kiss you, And maybe see you smile. But then I fully realized, That this could never be, For emptiness and memories would take the place of me. And when I thought of wordly things I might miss come tomorrow, I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow. But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, From His great golden throne, He said, "This is eternity, And all I've promised you." Today for life on earth has passed, But here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, But today will always last, And since each day's the same way, There's no longing for the past. But since you have been so faithful, So trusting and so true. Though there were times you did some things, You knew you shouldn't do. But you have been forgiven, And now at last you're free. So won't you take my hand, And share my life with me. So when tomorrow starts without me, Don't think we're far apart, For every time you think of me, I'm right here, in your heart.

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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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