

Home Going
Celebrating The Life of



Jean Audrey Boone-Monsanto

Sunrise

January 23, 1937

Sunset

February 4, 2013

Service

Saturday, February 9, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

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St. Albans, New York 11412

Obituary

Jean Audrey Boone-Monsanto died at Long Island Jewish Franklin Hospital Hospice in LI, NY on Monday, February 4th, 2013.

Jean was born on January 23, 1937 in Norfolk, VA to Ruth Clark of Nottoway County, VA and Hurley Boone of Holland, VA. Jean's mother Ruth relocated Jean, brother, Richard and sister, Vivian from Norfolk, VA to Harlem, New York in 1943. Jean was third from the oldest and became big sister to Sidney Boone, Nadine Clark and Sharon Driskell.

Jean graduated from New York Vocational High School in 1955 where she studied home economics and received her first formal training in dress making. Jean used this training to become an accomplished and meticulous dressmaker.

Jean had five children, and struggled for many years to provide a secure, happy home for them. Her determination to make a better life for herself and her children was evidenced when she graduated from OIC at the top of her class and became an Electrical Engineer for Con Edison, where she worked for twenty-three years. Jean was a perfectionist and was well respected by her peers. Jean worked at various Power Stations for Con Edison where her specialty was wiring huge Operation Control Boards. Jean was the first African American female to become an A1 Electrical Engineer for Con Edison.

Jean Monsanto was fiercely independent, strong willed, no nonsense and had one of the sweetest dispositions and nicest personalities you could ever encounter. There was no shortage of kindness and generosity from Jean; she was compassionate and generous to a fault.

Jean is survived by: five children, Darrell Boone, Audrey Monsanto, Denise Monsanto-Green, Vanessa Monsanto, and Mark Monsanto. In addition, she is survived by thirteen grandchildren, four great grandchildren; and a host of dear friends who loved her and whom she loved like family.

Say not in grief "he is no more" but live in thankfulness that he was.

Hebrew Proverb

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Don't search for me in some farway place.

Don't look for a smile on a strangers face.

Rather, seek me out in the summers sky

Hear my voice in a curlews cry.

Don't yearn for me when the year falls around,

Nor see my footprints in fresh tilled ground.

Instead hear my laugh in a tumbling stream

My presence will soothe, in a warm filled dream.

No sadness, tears, no time to grieve.

I live all around, in the air that you breathe

Alan Barker

Order of Service

Prelude Musician

Invocation

Hymn “God Will Take Care Of You”

Scriptures of Comfort

Old Testament - Psalms 23.....Denise Monsanto

New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15 - 12:28.....Audrey Monsanto

Prayers of Comfort

Dedication Song “Amazing Grace”

Obituary/Acknowledgements..... Vanessa Monsanto

Tributes Audrey Monsanto
Howard Clark
Kdia Broady
Other Tributes

Dedication Song “How Great Thou Art”

The Eulogy Pastor Lawrence Saunders

Benediction

Recessional

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interment</u> Springfield Cemetery Springfield Garden, New York</p>
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A Prayer of Praise

The LORD is my light and my salvation; I will fear no one. The LORD protects me from all danger; I will never be afraid. When evil people attack me and try to kill me, they stumble and fall. Even if a whole army surrounds me, I will not be afraid; even if enemies attack me, I will still trust God. I have asked the LORD for one thing; one thing only do I want: to live in the LORD's house all my life, to marvel there at his goodness, and to ask for his guidance. In times of trouble he will shelter me; he will keep me safe in his Temple and make me secure on a high rock. So I will triumph over my enemies around me. With shouts of joy I will offer sacrifices in his Temple; I will sing, I will praise the LORD. Hear me, LORD, when I call to you! Be merciful and answer me! When you said, "Come worship me," I answered, "I will come, LORD." Don't hide yourself from me! Don't be angry with me; don't turn your servant away. You have been my help; don't leave me, don't abandon me, O God, my savior. My father and mother may abandon me, but the LORD will take care of me. Teach me, LORD, what you want me to do, and lead me along a safe path, because I have many enemies. Don't abandon me to my enemies, who attack me with lies and threats. I know that I will live to see the LORD's goodness in this present life. Trust in the LORD. Have faith, do not despair. Trust in the LORD.

Acknowledgements

The family of **Jean Audrey Boone-Monsanto** would like to send our deepest gratitude, well wishes and our sincere thanks for the flowers and other expressions of love during our time of bereavement.

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