

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Mary Pendergrass*

*Sunrise*  
July 30, 1935

*Sunset*  
March 23, 2013

Service  
Friday, March 29, 2013 - 12:00 Noon

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## Obituary

**Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Pendergrass** departed this earthly life on March 23, 2013 at Bellevue Hospital. Being faithful to the will of the Lord, she answered the call and passed quietly in her sleep.

Mary was the daughter of the late Rev. Edward D. Bell and Classie J. Bell.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, Hiawatha Pendergrass and loving son, Michael L. Pendergrass.

She was raised in a Christian home and joined Second Wilson Baptist Church, at an early age and served faithfully. After moving to New York, she became a dutiful member of Canaan Baptist Church until her departure from motherly earth.

Mary was united in marriage to the late Hiawatha Pendergrass and this union was blessed with four children. She served the Lord and was a loving, devoted mother to her children and grandson. Mary was fiercely independent and loved to shop and travel along with spending time with her many friends.

She leaves many cherished memories to: one daughter, Barbara G. Rocco and son-in-law, James P. Rocco of New York; three sons, Hiawatha Pendergrass Jr. and daughter-in-law, Doris Pendergrass and step-children of New York, Jeffrey Pendergrass of Chester, SC and the late Michael L. Pendergrass of New York; her devoted sister, Florene (Theodore) McLurkin of Rock Hill, SC; equally caring brothers, David (Emma) Bell of NY, Charles J. (Esther) Bell of Owing Mills, MD and Leslie Roy (Helen) Bell of Chester, SC; grandson, Michael L. Pendergrass, Jr. of NY; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

## **Interment**

St. Michael's Cemetery  
Astoria, New York

# *I've Changed My Address*

*I've changed my address to Heaven  
I've crossed the Great Divide.*

*I know there's no sorrow or crying,  
Because I've reached the other side.*

*I am so happy to be here, for the Lord  
Himself I see.*

*I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place where you'll find me.*

*I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I bid this world goodbye.*

*I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky.*

*I have no burdens or heartaches  
and from tears I am now free.*

*I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place to find me.*

*I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion  
and my name is on the door.*

*You can find us walking together,  
for where He is, I'll always be.*

*I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place you'll find me.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*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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