

*Celebration Of Life*

*For*



*Violet Baldwin*

**Sunrise**  
October 27, 1925

**Sunset**  
August 9, 2013

*Service*

*Friday, August 16, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.*

**ST. PAUL SOUNDS OF PRAISE**

587-93 18th Avenue • Newark, New Jersey

*Bishop Cleveland Blash, Jr. - Pastor*

*Presiding*

*“My heart is broken right now, I know most people haven’t had the pleasure of being close with their great-grandmother, but me and my siblings were blessed with a great-grandmother who was like a mother to us. I’m gonna miss all the calls saying “I just called to holla at you” and all the surprise visits. I remember when I graduated from the police academy you were the loudest one in there and it warmed my heart. Violet Baldwin aka Babe, I will miss you and I love you for eternity. Thank you for all the wisdom you bestowed upon me and having confidence in me when I didn’t have it in myself. Say hi to Grandpop and cousin Mona, I know they were some of your favorite people.*

*I love you!*

*R.I.P.”*

**- Rasool  
(great grandson)**

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#### **Letter From Bri**

*The day you left me I felt empty like the world was ending. My heart was broken, it didn’t seem real. The time I spent with you was so, so special, you were my everything, my queen and much more. I looked up for you and you were always there. There will not be a day that goes by I will not think of you my queen. My lovely great-great grandma and best friend. I will carry on with the memory of knowing that the time I spent with you was amazing it doesn’t get any better than you. I will miss you but I know you will always be with me.*

**- Love your pal,  
Bri**

**(Eleven year old great great granddaughter)**

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*“Aunt Babe” will be missed like so many others. A heavy heart for a moment but she wouldn’t like us to stay that way. She reminded me so much of grandma Grace, the way she directed you, shared her thoughts, wisdom and all her love. If you knew Babe, you knew her mother even if you never met her. All my aunts, uncles and of course my mom (dad too) have always taught us and showed us what family is supposed to be. We may fall short at times but what a wonderful thing to be loved by people like Aunt Babe and know you can give it back. So remember to keep dancing just like Aunt Babe (and grandma Grace too)”*

**- Jay Jay  
(Nephew)**

## Reflections of Life

*Violet Baldwin* (Nee Wilson) the second eldest child of the late Herman Wilson, Sr. and Grace Lebron (Nee Mandeville) was born in Newark, NJ on October 27, 1925. Violet departed this life at home on August 9, 2013.

Violet also known as Babysis / Babe and Mother Baldwin by family and friends, resided in Newark, NJ her entire life. She loved her city where she received her elementary and high school education.

On July 17, 1942, Violet was united in holy matrimony to the late Lawrence Baldwin and to this union there were four children, Regina, Lornetta, Lawrence and Antonio. She was a kind, giving and caring person but always very strong willed and independent.

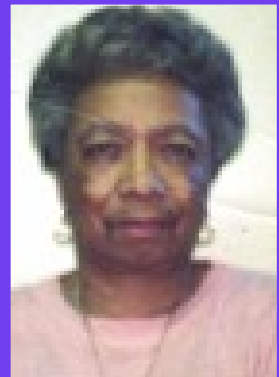
During most of Violet's adult life, she was employed by multiple electronic companies throughout different counties in New Jersey. She would always recommend family and friends for positions in these companies to make sure they had a job. At the age of sixty-nine years, Violet retired from W&G Electronic Company, at which time she was confronted with breast cancer. After treatment, Violet became a breast cancer survivor for the last seventeen years.

Violet enjoyed working with her hands, after retiring she enrolled in multiple craft classes to occupy her time. Violet's magnificent craft work can be seen on display in the homes of many relatives and friends.

Violet enjoyed spending time with her large family, especially her grand, great-grands and great great grandchildren. She loved to dance and never passed an opportunity to get on the floor with the young ones, she was the life of any get together.

After many years of searching for a church home, Violet chose St. Paul Sounds of Praise, which resembled her early childhood religious upbringing. In January 2002, Violet became a member of the Sounds of Praise family. She was baptized at the church and remained an active member until her passing.

In her passing, Violet leaves to mourn and cherish many precious memories: her devoted daughters, Regina Bey (Salome) and Lornetta Folk (William); sons, Lawrence (Maryann) and Antonio; siblings, Ramona Lebron, Maria Cruz, Carnella Wortman, Wilhelmina Brown (Jerry) and Charles Lebron (Beatrice); thirteen grandchildren; twenty-two great-grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and many, many friends.



# Order of Service

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23.....Rolanda Lebron (*niece*)

New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58.....Rev. Barry Friday (*nephew*)  
Solid Rock • Chesapeake, VA  
Associate Minister

Prayer of Comfort.....Bishop W.B Medlock  
Jurisdiction Bishop

Selection .....Choir

Babe Remembered.....Family  
Lila Hayes (*Family Friend*)  
Jamilla Wright (*Great-granddaughter*)  
Deacon F. Gibson (*Church*)

Solo.....Rev. Barry Friday (*nephew*)  
Solid Rock • Chesapeake, VA  
Associate Minister

Acknowledgements.....Rolanda Lebron (*niece*)

Obituary .....Lawrence Bey (*grandson*)

Sermonic Solo.....Minister WM Moore

Eulogy ..... Bishop Cleveland Blash, Jr.

**INTERMENT**  
Fairmount Cemetery  
Newark, New Jersey



## Pall Bearers

- Lawrence Bey
- Antonio Baldwin
- Rasool Wright
- Kevin Smith
- Al-Bilal Wright

### *The Master Called*

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But, you see, the Master called me  
And, now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.*

- Author unknown

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Violet Baldwin (aka Babe)** would like to take this opportunity to extend their sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy extended to them during their hour of bereavement. May God bless and keep each of you in His tender loving care.*

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