

Celebration of Life

A black and white portrait of a woman with short, dark, wavy hair, looking slightly to the left. She is wearing a dark, possibly sequined, top and a dark earring. The portrait is set against a light purple background with a large, faint rose watermark.

Lee Ruth Bogain

Sunrise
December 5, 1934

Sunset
May 19, 2014

Service
Friday, May 30, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

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Obituary

Lee Ruth Hitchmon, was born December 5th 1934 in Dothan, Alabama to her parents, Rosie Bell and Donnell Hitchmon. Lee was the middle of three sisters, including Mary, and Shirley, and brothers, Shira, LaRay, Donnell Jr., John, and Mancefield.

In Alabama, she attended Carver High School, where she later met and married Edward Richard Bogain. The marriage welcomed four children, Edward R. Jr., Karen, Nena, and Joseph.

Lee welcomed with open arms, her nieces, Saadia, Merita, and nephew, Efrem after her sister Shirley's untimely passing.

Lee later on moved North with her immediate family to the Bronx, NY and then settled in Newark, New Jersey where she retired from the Newark Police Department, as a communications officer.

Lee was also a member of the Eastern Star organization, where she participated in several social functions.

Growing up in a musically talented family, there were always plenty of musical events where Lee danced and sang from the heart. Her dancing and singing continued while she was a resident at The Amsterdam Nursing Home. Lee was lovingly known as the Dancer. She spread that spirit of happiness to everyone she came into contact with.

Lee wanted nothing more than absolute unity and love to bind her family members together.

Lee leaves behind: three brothers, Shira, and his wife and family, John, and his children, John Jr., Kamilli, Desire, and Janae and the youngest brother, Mancefield; her sister, Shirley's children, Saadia and Efrem, her brother Don's daughter, Cheryl; eight grands, Nathaniel, Charles Jr., Ibrahim, Muhammad, Kwamina, Alexandria, Matthew and Khalif; sixteen great grands, several grand nieces and nephews, cousins, former co-workers and friends.

Lee's famous reminder was "When I pass, don't be sitting around crying for me, Cause it will be my time. I'm living my life, and I'm having a good time."

Thank you to all the loved ones and friends who attended this celebration of life.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Mount Rest Cemetery
Butler, New Jersey

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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