

A portrait of an elderly Black woman with short, curly grey hair, smiling gently. She is wearing a light-colored, possibly white, button-down shirt. The background is a soft-focus image of a large yellow flower with green leaves.

In Loving

Memory

of

Diane Smalls Finney

Sunrise

December 3, 1951

Sunset

December 25, 2014

Service

Wednesday, December 31, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

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Geraldine McLaughlin - Evangelist, Officiating
Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Obituary

Diane Smalls Finney, the second child of the late Robert and Ruth Smalls was born on December 3, 1951 in New York, New York. She departed this world on Thursday, December 25, 2014 at her home in Bronx, New York.

She received her formal education in the New York City Public School System.

She met and married the late Cyrus Finney, Sr. in 1973.

She was employed at Metropolitan Hospital Center for 39 years. She retired in 2010.

Diane touched the lives of those whom she came in contact with. She was smart, loving and compassionate. Her heart was LARGER than her eyes and smile. She was a comedian to the fullest and one could not be sad in her presence. She had a passion for food and LOVED to eat. She had a kind ear and LOVED to talk. She would keep you on the phone for hours.

Diane, we see you smiling and know you are happy because now, you are with your BFF: "Your Mother and Sisters".

Diane leaves to cherish her memories: her loving family, four siblings, Doris, Robert, Renee and Jacqueline; one aunt, Clyde; one sister-in-law, Jeanette; two brothers-in-law, Kendall Sr. and Darryl; six nieces, Priscilla, Dana, Ebony, Chavonna, Tori and Nyasia; five nephews, Gene, Kendall Jr., Lamont, Wallace and Courtney; ten grand nieces, Jeanviele, Tyler, Tylee, Shania, Jonay, Jada, Trinity, Paige, TaKayla and Nevaeh; six grand nephews, Delvon, Dayquan, Shamore, Jameek, Jaleel and DJ; and numerous cousins and friends.

***Sleep On Sweet Diane
You Are Now At Rest
We All Love You
But GOD Loves You Best***

"Don't Cry For Me"

*Do not cry for me, for I have lived my life to
the extent of time which God has granted me.*

*Do not cry for me, for I have walked a long way in my lifetime,
I have moved on to fulfill my destiny. Do not cry for me, for I am not lost,
I am home where I am free. When you think of my passing, picture my face in your
mind and reminisce of the times that have passed be it good or bad;*

Do not cry for me for I am with God, and my life has just begun.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

“Precious Lord Take My Hand”

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

“Going Up Yonder”

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York

Repast

3pm - 7pm

***At Mount Gilead Baptist Church
1682 Morris Avenue at 173rd St.
Bronx, NY 10457***

Broken Chain

We little knew that day
God would call your name.
In life we loved you dearly.
In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you
but you didn't go alone,
for a part of us went with you
the day God called you home.

We're left with loving memories
of the time we had with you,
and feel your love around us
in everything we do.

Our family chain is broken
and our lives are not the same,
But as God calls us one by one
the chain will link again.

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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