

Celebrating the Life of
Laris Mandella Roberts

August 9, 1918 - April 25, 2015



Viewing - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Monday, May 11, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

EASTCHESTER CHURCH OF GOD
3020 Eastchester Road • Bronx, NY 10467

Officiating Ministers
Rev. Robert Edwards
Rev. Devon Dixon

Obituary

Laris Mandella “Mama” Roberts, daughter of Charles and Cadian Francis, was born on August 9, 1918, in the district of Collington in Clarendon, Jamaica. She attended Collington Primary School. Upon completion of secondary school she worked as a seamstress.

Mama was swept off her feet by a charming man named Uriah Roberts. They were married on April 25, 1959, in Frankfield, Clarendon. They went on to have twelve lovely children and Mama had a newfound role as a homemaker.

Mama was a strong, hard working and God-fearing woman, who gave her life to Jesus in 1975. A dedicated mother and wife, she did whatever was necessary to ensure a happy home. Mama was very outgoing. She knew everyone. Just tell her your surname and the district you were from in Jamaica and chances are she could find the connection. Turns out she knew your father's, sister's cousin.

After her husband died, Mama migrated to New York in 1989 to live with her daughter Sidanney. It was in New York that Mama found a new sense of independence and happiness. She traveled to new places, made new friends, as well as rekindled with old friends and became a beloved member of Eastchester Church of God.

Mama was the matriarch of our family. She was the nurturer, the advisor, the healer, the storyteller and the comedian. She was everything and we loved her dearly.

Mama will be deeply missed by her nine surviving children, Lindsey, Thelma, Icelyn, Sidanney, Panseyval, Pauline, Erica, Gerard and Melanie as well as forty-four grandchildren, fifty-five great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren and an abundance of family and friends.

Mama we will always love you and you will forever be in our hearts!

Order of Service

Processional Sentences

Opening Prayer Rev. Devon Dixon

Opening Hymn “Blessed Assurance”

1st Lesson - Psalm 27 Rose Marie Hall

Tribute.....Natalie Cardona (granddaughter)

2nd Lesson - 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 Tesha Crosse

Selection Janet Mitchell

Tributes

Michael Johnson (grandson)

Coriantumr Cano (grandson)

Daughters: Sidannee Bernard,

Pauline Mennell, Melanie Leemore

Selection Millie Edwards

Obituary Michelle German (granddaughter)

Offering

Message Rev. Devon Dixon

Closing Song.....“When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder”

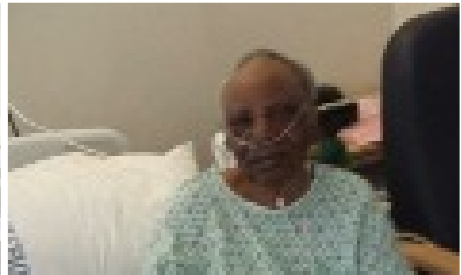
Prayer for the Family.....Rev. Devon Dixon

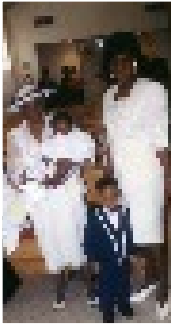
Final Viewing.....Eternity Funeral Services Director

The family invites you to meet with them on Tuesday, May 12,
2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary for morning prayer.

Interment

*Kensico Cemetery
Valhalla, New York*





Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound,
and time shall be no more,
And the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair;
When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Refrain:

When the roll is called up yonder,
When the roll is called up yonder,
When the roll is called up yonder,
When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

On that bright and *cloudless morning when the dead in
Christ shall rise, [*sabbath]
And the glory of His resurrection share;
When His chosen ones shall gather to their home beyond the
skies,
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun,
Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care;
Then when all of life is over, and our work on earth is done,
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.





Pallbearers

Andre Answer (grandson)
Jerome German (grandson)
Gerard Roberts (son)

Kareem Bernard (grandson)
Anthony Jacas (grandson)
Michael Watson (grandson)

Acknowledgement

*The family of **Laris Mandella Roberts** acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.*



Eternity Funeral Services, LLC

Karrie O. Harvey-Edwards
Owner / Licensed Manager

725 East Gun Hill Road • Bronx, NY 10467
ph (718) 231-8737 • fax (718) 231-3169

EternityFS@aol.com • www.EternityFuneralServicesNY.com

