

Service of Triumph For

Teresa Hamilton

Sunrise

September 11, 1955

Sunset

July 24, 2015



Thursday, July 30, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

WOODY "HOME FOR SERVICES"

163 Oakwood Avenue

Orange, New Jersey 07050

Rev. Dr. Lloyd P. Terrell, Officiating
Myron Smith, Organist

Obituary

Teresa Bell Hamilton was born to Lillie Catherine Bell and the late Abraham Alfred Bell on September 11, 1955 at Beth Israel Hospital of Newark, New Jersey. She departed this life on the afternoon of July 24, 2015 at Overlook Hospital of Summit, New Jersey.

As a child, she was quiet, humble and always liked to play with dolls that resembled her looks. In 1973, she graduated from the Newark Public School System, then completed business courses, and afterwards, joined the professional work world as a cashier in the retail business, servicing Valley Fair and Kohl's Department Stores. She honed her skills and excelled at the workplace for many years to come.

In August of 1977, she began her family by being gifted by God with her son Daniel Bell, who valiantly supported his mother especially during the challenging years of her battle with sickness. Later Teresa briefly expanded her family when she married the late William Hamilton in 1983.

In her early adult life, Teresa joined the family of God and lived out her Walk in the Spirit by joining New Hope Baptist Church of Newark, New Jersey. There she was an active member of the usher board and the choir. Eventually she relocated to Scotch Plains, New Jersey and often visited the local church of St. John Baptist Church.

Those who knew Teresa as an adult, witnessed her Christian walk and because of her pleasant, unassuming personality, were quick to share their love with her. Her co-workers called her "the peacemaker" due to her commitment to "repair the breach" when she saw one. We all knew that when "Rita", as she is affectionately known by those close to her, put her mind and faith together to get something done, it got done immediately and done her way.

During the final months of her life, Teresa fought fiercely the cancer that eventually overtook her physical body, but she never allowed it to defeat her spiritual confidence. It is clear to her family and friends that she triumphantly reached her final goal of being one with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

She leaves to celebrate her life: her mother, Lillie Catherine Bell; her son, Daniel Bell; her brother, Michael Bell (Jennifer); her God sister, Joyce Beverly; her nephew, Abraham Waakulira Bell; and a host of loving and caring relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....	Myron Smith	
Seating of The Family.....	The Funeral Director	
Hymn of Comfort.....	“Blessed Assurance”	
Prayer of Comfort		
Scripture Readings		
Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.....	Rose McCullough	
New Testament - John 14:27-29	Robert Bell	
Solo.....	Tyrone Dunlap	
Remarks.....	Family and Friends	Two Minutes Please
Acknowledgements and Resolutions.....	Freda Abdus Salaam	
Family Tribute.....	Christine Branch and Loretta Porter	
Obituary.....	Glenda Woods	
Solo.....	Tyrone Dunlap	
Eulogy.....	Rev. Dr. Lloyd Preston Terrell Franklin - St. John’s United Methodist Church Newark, New Jersey	
Final Viewing		
Recessional.....	Clergy and Family	

Interment

*Rosedale Cemetery
408 Orange Road
Montclair, New Jersey*

Repast

*Immediately following the Interment family and friends
are invited for a repast at the
Home of Lillie Catherine Bell
329 Jackson Avenue • Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076*

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took God's hand when I heard the call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day to laugh,
To love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that place at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me -
God wanted me now, GOD SET ME FREE !

PALLBEARERS

Abdul Halim Abdus Salaam
Michael Bell
Tarun Omar Harrison

Ibn Abdul Halim Abdus Salaam
Clayton Ervin
Robert McCullough

Forever Grateful

The family of **TERESA HAMILTON** sincerely acknowledges and appreciates all the acts of kindness by family and friends, as well as the compassionate services rendered by Woody Home for Services. For all who have stopped- by, called, e-mailed, texted and shown how much they truly cared about our loved one, we are forever grateful. Your thoughtfulness will forever be remembered.

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