

In Loving Memory of

Lillian Nanton

Sunrise
June 27, 1934

Sunset
August 18, 2015

Service

Monday, August 24, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Officiating

Obituary

Mrs. Lillian Nanton was born to Lorraine and George Wright in Charleston, South Carolina on June 27, 1934. Mrs. Nanton as everyone knew her had moved to New York City with her parents at the age of six.

She grew up in the New York City School system and attended the all girl high school, Mabel Dean Bacon. Lillian loved life and had a zest for dressing and going out listening to music. She loved Arthur Prysock, Barry White and Dionne Warwick. While in high school she met Morris Alexander Nanton whom she married at the age of nineteen with her first son. She then moved into the Abraham Lincoln Houses on October 10, 1953 in which she bore five other children, three preceded her in death, Raymond, Roslyn and Morris. She stayed strong throughout the years even after losing her husband in 1970. She became mother and father. She never married again.

She had a way to make each of her kids feel special in her own little way. "She was a mother who would actually go fight for her family." If you need help she's there, if you're homeless, come on in", she had a couch or chair you could sleep on it, she never thought of just herself. She was tough with her boys and kept them on the right track if they slipped. She was careful with her girls, and she taught us by example. Recently in 2011, she suffered a stroke and never fully recovered. Through prayer and supplications God stepped in and made a way that she will have the peace and rest she longed for without the pain and suffering she had to endure for some time. We are forever grateful for the time God allowed her to stay with us and be by our side.

She leaves to mourn: her two siblings, Mildred and George Johnson; one son, Derrick Nanton; two daughters, Monica and Catherine Nanton; one daughter-in-law, Annette Nanton; one brother-in-law, Dennis Nanton; three sisters-in-law, Margie, Annie and Rebecca; seventeen grandchildren, Raymond, Amenia, Donnel, Tammie, Cathy, Ivory, Lawrence, Tyrone, Derrick, Tamara, Nicole, Derrick Jr., Devin, Dennis, Pj, Monica and Morris; fourteen great grandchildren, Taniya, Erica, Davasha, Julia, Tyon, Lawrence Jr., Jade, Raynia, Isis, Iyanna, Justin, Joseph, Ethan and Kamora; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 24 Donnell Nanton

New Testament - John 3:16-18 Kathy Nanton

Prayer

Selection "I'm Free Praise The Lord I'm Free"

Acknowledgements & Remarks Annette Nanton

Obituary Monica Nanton-Abney

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

*Long Island National Cemetery
Farmingdale, New York*

Because The Angels Came

No more grief or sorrow, no more suffering or pain, now there is everlasting peace because the angels came. Only God knows what is best and He gently holds my hand. Guiding me to a better place because the angels came. When the sun rises tomorrow and I answer not my name, Please don't cry Rejoice with me because the angels came. I now can rest in peace as I never could before. answered the gentle knock of the angels at my door. So please don't mourn for me as new wings I now claim, I can take my flight to heaven because the angels came.

-Author unknown

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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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