

*In Loving Memory of*



*Luberta Bell*

*Sunrise: August 8, 1934*

*Sunset: November 20, 2015*

Service

Sunday, November 29, 2015 - 1:00 p.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Minister Abdul Hafeez Muhammad, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Luberta Romell Bell**, known as “Bert” to her loved ones, was born on August 8, 1934 in Sumter, South Carolina to John and Mary Dickerson Baker. The family which consisted of nine children moved to and were raised in Wilmington, North Carolina.

She attended school there and graduated from Williston Senior High School. Bert moved to New Jersey with her then husband, Robert Adams. Her first born, Michael Jerome was born to this marriage. She moved to New York City where she met and married Robert (Bobby) Bell. Together they had one child, Jameelah Shabazz. She and Bobby joined the Nation of Islam and throughout her life remained faithful to Islam. Bert spent her career as a toll collector for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey where she retired after twenty-eight years of service. Bert returned to North Carolina where she spent the last eight years of her life.

Bert was the matriarch of her family, gently counseling those seeking her advice and sometimes those who didn’t but needed it anyway. She was non-judgmental and always stayed above the fray. She was respected and adored by all who knew her.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Robert (Bobby) Bell, her son, Michael Adams, her parents, John Baker, Sr. and Mary Baker, her sisters, Margie Wise and Janie James and brothers, John Baker, Jr., Cornelius Hamilton, Archie Nelson, Samuel Wise and Edward Alston.

She is survived by: her children, Jameelah and Christopher Clark, Theresa Tolbert, Irma Finley and Carol Gurley; grandchildren, Tanya Gurley, Jason and Jared Adams, Tanele Green, Crystal Davis, Corey and Christopher, Jr.; great grandchildren, Ali, Tajanei, Kennedy and Juli; sisters, Christine Alston, Marylyn Hamilton, Cherry Nelson, Gerry Roberson, Barbara Baker and Barbara Baker; brothers, William Baker and John Roberson; a loving family filled with cousins, nieces, nephews, grand nieces and nephews; and a host of friends, coworkers and neighbors that all admired her strength, integrity and grace.

She will forever be remembered and loved.

# *Order of Service*

*Obituary*

*Message of Janaaza Prayer Service*

*Prayer Service*

*Passing of Mints*

*Memorial Service*

*Remarks*

*William Baker*

*(On behalf of her siblings)*

*Diana Baker*

*(On behalf of her daughter, Jameelah)*



## *A Daughter's Promise*

Every time that I smile,  
Every time that I sigh,  
I think of your face,  
And a tear escapes my eye.

You were my world,  
My inspiration and my heart,  
But when you left me,  
I thought I would fall apart.

You were my best friend,  
My one true "confidante",  
And that's not all you were,  
You were also my mom.

I didn't want to live without you,  
But you would have wanted me to,  
And if there's anyone I want to make happy,  
That anyone is you.

I would have given anything to have you back,  
But I know now that it was meant to be,  
For you are still watching from up there,  
And I know you're watching me.

I'll make you proud mom,  
I'm going to fulfill your wish,  
You're going to see me and smile,  
That's a daughter's promise.

### *Acknowledgement*

*During our time of sorrow, we learn how much  
our friends mean to us. Your kindness and sympathy  
will always be remembered.*

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