# Barbara Ann Batts

Sunset November 29, 2015



Saturday, December 5, 2015 - 9:30 a.m.

Jones Funeral Home
247 Elm Avenue
Rahway, New Jersey 07065
Rev. Rudolph Gibbs, Officiating
Robert Arrington, Organist

## Obituary

**Mrs. Barbara Ann Batts** was born to the late Floyd Louis Morrow and Dorothy Johnson Morrow in Philadelphia, PA.

Barbara began her education in Mecklenburg County and graduated from Torrence Lytle High School in Charlotte, NC. She graduated from Barber-Scotia College with a B.A. in English. While in college, she became a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. After obtaining her degree, she relocated to Rahway, NJ and begun her teaching career as an English teacher at the Rahway Board of Education. She had an accomplished career and touched many lives during her time at Rahway High School.

Shortly after moving to Rahway, she met her soul mate, Willie Batts and they married on November 1, 1969. Recently, they celebrated their forty-sixth wedding anniversary. On October 15, 1979, they were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Candice Elizabeth Batts. After teaching for more than forty years, she retired in June 2002. Her commitment to her family as well as her students was endless.

Barbara's infectious smile will be missed. She loved fashion and interior decorating. Her passion for life was always apparent. She exuded style and good taste. She was undeniably a "fashionista." She was known for designing and sewing her own clothes for most of her life. Clearly getting dressed and decorating her home was a way she expressed her creativity.

On Sunday, November 29, 2015, Barbara Ann Batts ascended into heaven leaving many family members and friends to celebrate her memory, including her loving husband, Willie; devoted daughter, Candice Batts of Plainfield; from Charlotte, NC mother, Dorothy Morrow; sister, Doreathia Crowe (Ronald); brothers, Harry Morrow; Rodney Morrow (Bertha); Frederic Morrow; (her brother, Alfonza Morrow preceded her in death); sisters-in-law, Juanita Morrow, Tanya Batts of Perth Amboy; brothers-in-law, James Batts of Charlotte, NC, Ricky Batts (Tanya) of Perth Amboy and Darryl Batts of Elizabeth; aunts, Virginia Morrow and Nancy Morrow of Charlotte, NC; dear friend Shirley Venable of Plainfield; god-daughter Tiffany Hidgon of Tampa, FL; and a host of loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Barbara was a committed wife, mother, daughter and friend. She will be dearly missed by all that knew her and will remain in our hearts forever.

# Order of Service

Processional	Robert Arrington
Hymn	"Blessed Assurance"
Invocation	
1	Scripture Readings: Old Testament – Psalm 23 New Testament – John 14:1-6
Acknowledgements	8
Tributes	
Obituary	
Organ Selection	
Eulogy	
Organ Selection	"When Peace Like A River" Robert Arrington
Benediction	
Recessional	

<u>Interment</u> Rosedale Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

### I'm Free



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him 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 peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it up with remembered jov. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, 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,

He set me free!

-author unknown

### Acknowledgement

The family would like to extend gratitude to all expressions of sympathy at this time.

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