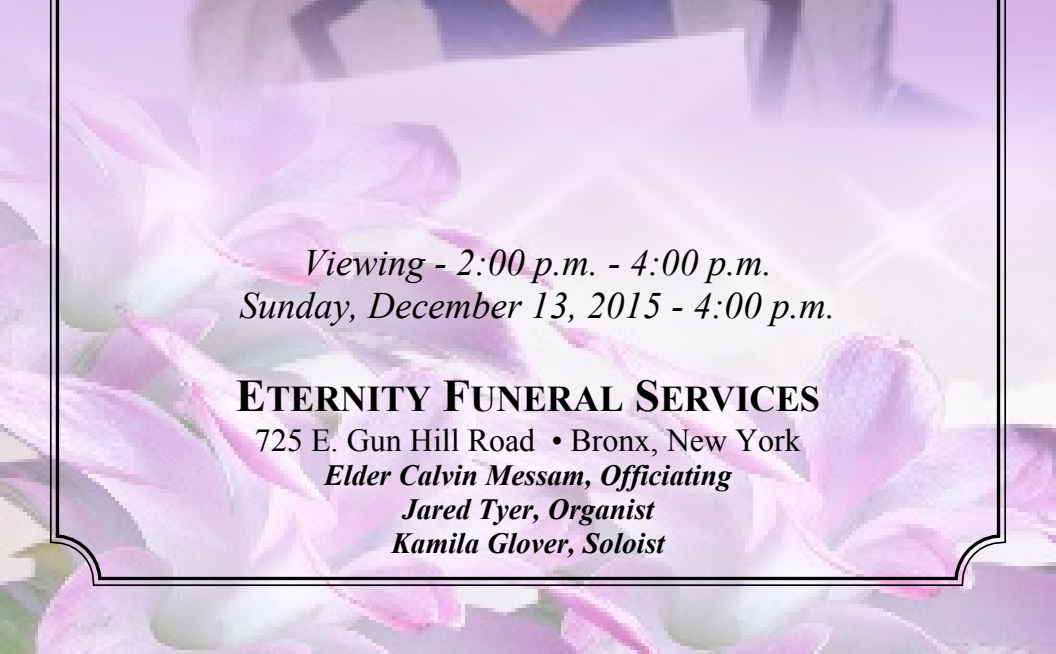




*Celebrating The Life Of*  
**Rosemarie Howell-James**

*May 15, 1956 - December 5, 2015*



*Viewing - 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*  
*Sunday, December 13, 2015 - 4:00 p.m.*

**ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES**

725 E. Gun Hill Road • Bronx, New York

*Elder Calvin Messam, Officiating*

*Jared Tyer, Organist*

*Kamila Glover, Soloist*

# Obituary

**Rosemarie Howell-James** was born in Mt. Vernon, New York to the late Mr. Calvin Howell and Mrs. Elizabeth Howell-Nelson. She departed this life on December 5, 2015 at the Daughters of Jacob Nursing Home where she resided for the past three years.

Rosie attended the Mt. Vernon School System, graduating from Mt. Vernon High School in 1974. She was joined in Holy Matrimony to Gary James in 1974 and that union welcomed a son, Gamarr James. In 1976, Rosie, Gary and Gamarr moved to New Orleans to begin her new life as mother and wife.

She was employed at Martinez Cleaning Service before moving back to New York City in 1982. Rosie always kept a job, she was employed at Sears in White Plains and was also gainfully employed as a civil servant for the Mt. Vernon City Hall as well as Kraft Foods.

Rosie enjoyed hanging out with family and friends. She had such an infectious laugh. She used to crack up at her two favorite TV shows, "I Love Lucy" and "Martin" (especially the episode where Martin gets beat up by Tommy Hears). In 1964, Rosie won the Little Ms. Twister at the Westchester County Medical Center. It later got her an appearance on the Ted Mack Show where she danced with Chubby Checker to his R&B hit song "The Twist".

Rosie was adored and loved by everyone. The staff at the Daughters of Jacob Nursing Home was in awe of her uplifting spirit. She always kept a smile on her face and was always ready to give you a fist bump up until the very end. Rosie adored her grandson Jahlil who affectionately called her "Nana".

Rosie was preceded in death by both her parents, Calvin Howell Sr. and Elizabeth Howell-Nelson, her sister, Brenda Howell-McCutchen and her brother, William Howell. She leaves to mourn her son, Gamarr James, daughter-in-law, Marika Bonner-James, grandson, Jahlil James, Gary James, her sisters, Cynthia, Wendy, Judy and Carol, brother, Calvin Jr. (Joan), Richard Nelson, beloved aunts, Alice Clipper, Edna Garrett, Pricilla Garrett and Shirley Garrett and uncle, William 'Doc' Garrett.

Rosie wanted to extend her heartfelt thanks to the Nursing Staff and Doctors at the Daughters of Jacob Nursing Home, specifically Ms. Obie and her nursing staff, Supervisor Ms. Parker and her nursing staff and Mrs. Yvette Roman and her respiratory staff for taking such good care of her during her stay.

# Order of Service

Invocation ..... Elder Calvin Messam

Solo ..... Kamila Glover

## *Scripture Readings*

Old Testament ..... Cutrese Howell

New Testament ..... Kenisha Messam

## *Family Tributes*

Gamarr James (son)

Calvin Howell III (nephew)

Cornelius Hamilton (nephew)

Calvin Howell Jr. (brother)

Wendy Messam (sister)

Cynthia Baldwin (sister)

Open Tributes ..... 2 min. each

Solo ..... Kamila Glover

Reading of Obituary ..... Angie Moore

Poem ..... Cynthia Howell

Sermonic Selection ..... Kamila Glover

Sermon ..... Elder Calvin Messam

Final Viewing ..... *Eternity Funeral Services Director*

Benediction ..... Elder Calvin Messam

Recessional

*Monday, December 14, 2015*

*Meeting at Eternity Funeral Services at 10:00 a.m.*

*for morning prayers and funeral procession.*

### **Final Disposition**

*Woodlawn Cemetery & Crematory*

*Bronx, New York*



*Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Rosemarie Howell-James** acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*



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