

*Celebrating The Life Of*  
*Dona Marilyn Mason*

*August 11, 1954 - January 30, 2016*



*Viewing - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.*  
*Friday, February 12, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.*

**ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES**

725 E. Gun Hill Road • Bronx, New York

*Bishop Leonard Austin, Officiating*

*Derell Lelie, Organist*

## *Eulogy*

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, we are assembled in this Chapel to celebrate the life of **Dona Marilyn Mason**, who made her entrance on earth August 11, 1954. Her life's journey took her from Portland, Jamaica to St. Ann, Jamaica and then to Bronx, New York in February 2008. Dona liked to travel and enjoyed travelling to Canada very much. Her last visit to Canada was on July 31, 2015 to December 5, 2015 where she visited family. She was a family person and always cared for her grandchildren.

Dona was born in Portland, Jamaica, W.I., to David Mason and Nella Mason and had four older sisters, Enid, Pauline, Elreth and Sharon. She later gained a younger sister Faye. Her immediate family consists of five children (one deceased) and seven grandchildren. Dona was an ardent care giver to her mother until she passed away in 2003.

Dona attended the Cardo Park Home Economics and Catering School in Port Antonio, Portland, Jamaica, where she studied House Craft Catering for nine months, which included Social Development Skills such as Child Care, Catering, Cookery and Grooming. She worked as a Domestic Engineer in Jamaica prior to immigrating to Bronx, New York, USA.

Dona was a hard worker, quiet and reserved, she was not a contentious person. At times, she could be a comedian and a good team player. Although she had health issues with hypertension and diabetes, she still continued to care for her grandchildren as best she could.

Dona became a member of the R.A.I.N. Boston East Neighborhood Senior Center in December 2015 where she enjoyed activities and made new friends. She looked forward to attending each day. (She will be missed).

Finally, to you Dona, as you make your transition from this life to the next, we who celebrate your life say to you, *"May you rest in peace." "May all be well with your soul and may you be embraced by the Light and the love of God who has called you home."*

Dona is survived by a large community including her son, Patrick Bartley, daughters, Wendy-Ann Thomas, Marsha Thomas and Shantia Thomas; grandchildren, Shayane, Briana, Kyla, Justin, Kevon, Avery and Alrick; sisters, Enid Beckford, Pauline Beckford-Bryan, Elreth Beckford, Sharon Mason-Haughton and Faye Mason-Graham and one brother, Carl Mason. She also leaves behind, several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews; her very good friends, Jannetta King-Wilson and Joyce Bell, her friends of the Islington District Community in Portland, Jamaica W.I. and her new friends from R.A.I.N.

She will be greatly missed.

Order of Service

Opening Prayer

Hymn ..... “Amazing Grace”

First Scripture Reading ..... Psalm 23  
Pauline Bryan (sister)

Second Scripture Reading ..... 1 Thessalonians 4:14-16  
Jannetta King (friend)  
Read by Pauline Bryan

Hymn ..... “Abide With Me”

Poem ..... Kyla Bartley

Tribute ..... CIBC Group  
Read by: Damion Smith

Open Tributes ..... 2 min. Each

Reading of the Eulogy ..... Pauline Bryan (sister)

Sermon ..... Bishop Leonard Austin

Benediction

Final Viewing ..... Eternity Funeral Services Director

*Repast*

*Please join the family for repast at the Primrose Cricchet Club  
located at 3336 White Plains Road - Bronx, New York 10467*

Saturday, February 13, 2016

Meeting at Eternity Funeral Services at 8:00 am for morning prayers.  
The funeral procession follows immediately after.

**Interment**

Mount Pleasant Cemetery  
Hawthorne, New York



*Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Dona Marilyn Mason** 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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