

A portrait of Earlean Blocker, a woman with dark hair and glasses, wearing a light-colored blazer and a necklace with a cross. The background is a soft-focus image of a plant with green leaves and brown seed pods.

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Earlean Blocker*

*Sunrise: August 12, 1940*

*Sunset: February 22, 2016*

**Service**

Saturday, February 27, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

**OFFICIATING:** *Bishop-Elect Franklin L. Porterfield*

*Faith Community Church of Love • Bronx, NY*

**EULOGIST:** *Minister Renee Blocker*

*Faith Community Church of Love • Bronx, NY*

# Obituary

**Earlean Blocker** was born August 12, 1940 in Fairmont, North Carolina to the late Sadie and Sylvester Thomas. Earlean moved to New York City at the age of seven years old. She received her formal education through the public school system. Earlean met and married her high school sweetheart, David Blocker in 1958. From this holy union they bore six beautiful children. Their primary focus was their family and traveling until David's timely death in 1975. Earlean then met her longtime companion, John Woodward, who took in all of her children as his own in 1977. From this union they created one beautiful daughter.

Earlean was a registered nurse until she received her Masters in teaching from Fordham University. She worked as a school teacher in the New York City Public School system for over twelve years. Earlean missed her calling as a Interior Decorator, as she had a great eye for decorating. Earlean was witty with a sharp tongue who always spoke her mind. To know her was to love her.

Earlean was granted her angel wings on February 22, 2016. Her final days were spent surrounded by family and friends that she had touched in so many ways through her memorable life. Her signature gift of joy, shown through her constant smiling, laughter and joking around will never be forgotten.

Earlean leaves to cherish her beloved memory: one sister, Wille Mae (who preceded her in death); seven children, Robin Kim, Rhonda Kelly, Renee Karen, David Anthony, Darrin Andre, Derrick Andrew and Joy Nicole; two stepsons, Dana and Leon; two nieces, Constance and Romona; one nephew, Jack; three daughters-in-law, Melba, Geraldine and Terry; thirty grandchildren, Dwayne, Angela, Ivette, Diane, Mark, Mike, Donnell, Jay, Charles, David, Jamel, Andre, Christopher, Lenron, Dominik, Ashley, Brandon, Sherita, Sean, Bryanna, John, Philip, Lakisha, Sheena, Shaana, Shanequa, Danae, Dominique, Larry and Adrian; thirty-one great grandchildren; and a host of family and friends.

# Order of Service

Prelude

Processional .....Bishop-Elect Franklin Porterfield  
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Prayer of Comfort..... Pastor Wanda Johnson

Reading of Scriptures

Old Testament - Psalm 121:1-8

New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Musical Selection

Remarks .....Family/Friends (2 minutes please)

Obituary Reading.....Ivette Killebrew

Sermonic Solo

Eulogy .....Minister Renee Blocker  
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Benediction

Parting View..... Unity Funeral Chapels

*Final Disposition*

*Oxford Hills Crematory*

*Chester, New York*

## *A Letter To Mom*

Dear Mom,

When GOD called you home to set you free,

He also took a part of me.

Even though we did part,

You will always remain within my heart.

You given birth to me was the day our hearts met,

Although separated. I will never forget.

A link has broken in our chain,

But we will walk side by side, hand in hand again.

I Love You, AMEN.

*Your loving daughter, Rhonda Kelly Blocker*

## *Acknowledgement*

*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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