

Louise Ritchings

Sunrise: January 24, 1919

Sunset: March 23, 2016

Service Wednesday, March 30, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

FOUNTAIN SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH

2011 Grand Concourse • Bronx, NY 10453 Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr., Officiating Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Øbituary

The time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith. **II Timothy 4:6-7**

Louise Ann Kitchings was born on January 24, 1919 in Charles City, Virginia to the late Frances Lomax and James Edward Brown. To that union there were thirteen children and twelve preceded her in death.

She received her education in the public school system of Charles City, Virginia. Louise joined in holy matrimony to the late Chester Howard Kitchings on November 16, 1976. To that union no children were born. Even though she never had any children, she helped to raise many of her nieces and nephews. She was a very loving person that opened her heart, arms and door to so many.

At age nineteen, she came to New York to live with a family in Scarsdale and she cared for their three children. After that, she became a housekeeper for two doctors and cared for their son. Louise learned to cook and was one of the best cooks ever. It was her house where all the family would gather for holiday dinners.

In 1989, she joined the Fountain Spring Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr. and she was a faithful member until her health started failing. Even to the end, she enjoyed her gospel music. She loved people and she loved to travel. One of her favorite pastime was talking about her trip to Germany to visit her nephew, Edwin. She had hopes of revisiting Germany again.

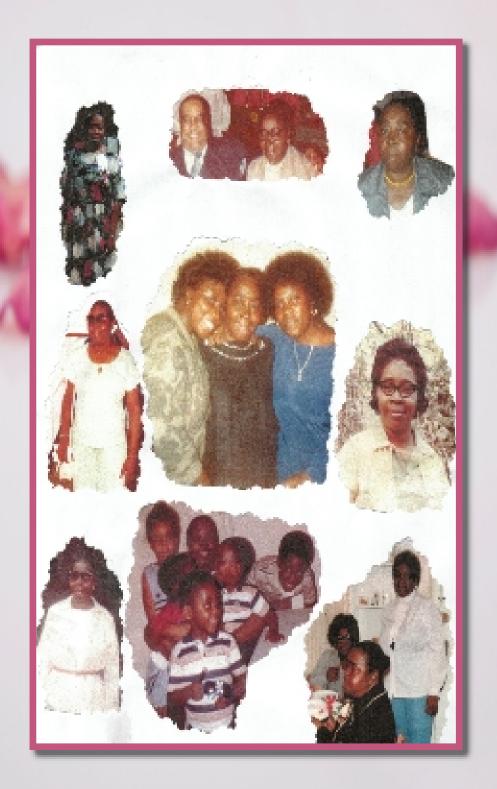
She leaves to cherish her memories: a step daughter, Brenda Kitchings of the Bronx, NY; one adopted daughter/niece, Carolyn Brown of the Bronx, NY; three adopted grandsons, Keith Brown of Boston, MA, Kahree and Terence Brown of the Bronx, NY; a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends; and she also leaves two special and dedicated home attendants, Ernestine Boatema and Mabinty Keita which made her life more comfortable in her golden years.

The Family









Order of Service

Processional

Selection Rev. David Jenkins

Scripture Readings Old Testament - Psalm 23 New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer

Selection Francis Jefferson

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection Kimberly Early

Eulogy Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr.

Benediction

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park Paramus, New Jersey

Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade? Oh! But Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me In that way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' arm to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still: Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idly stand; Do it now, while life remaineth -You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home: Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!



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.

> 2352 8th Avenue • Manhattan, NY • (212) 666-8300 1406 Pitkin Avenue • Brooklyn, NY • (718) 774-1023 1018 Prospect Avenue • Bronx, NY • (718) 542-3833

Clifford V. James, President & CEO www.unityfuneralchapels.com email: unityfc@aol.com

"Your Loved Ones Deserve The Best - Unity"



www.honoryou.com