

*In Loving Memory of*  
***Virian A. Evans***  
*"Ma-Ma"*

**Sunrise**  
December 17, 1928

**Sunset**  
April 21, 2016



*Wednesday, April 27, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.*

**HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH**  
705 Second Avenue • Asbury Park, New Jersey 07712

**Father Miguel Virella, *Officiating***  
**Sharon Reaves, *Organist***  
**Judy Pawlack, *Soloist***

## Obituary

**Vivian (nee-Alvarez) Evans** 87, of Asbury Park was granted her angel wings at Jersey Shore University Medical Center, Neptune, New Jersey the evening of April 21, 2016. She was born December 17, 1928 in Ponce, Puerto Rico, and was the only daughter of the late Eugenio and Fauta Alvarez. Upon graduating from high school in 1951, she came to live with her aunt and uncle in Asbury Park, NJ and settled in Monmouth County. Here she became involved in many activities, particularly in the Asbury Park, Long Branch, and Neptune areas. In 1954, she met and later married the late Warren W. Evans. From this union, two children were born: Kim (nee-Evans) Mallory and Eugenia who died at birth.

Mrs. Evans accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and savior and devoted her time and efforts emulating his corporal and spiritual works of mercy within her community. She was a devoted member of St. Peter Claver Roman Catholic Church, now known as Mother of Mercy Parish, formerly Holy Spirit Catholic Church. At St. Peter Claver she assisted in organizing "Operation Improve", a program for young people at St. Peter. She also had affiliations with Our Lady of Providence Roman Catholic Church in Neptune, NJ. Vivian served as Eucharistic Minister, a member of the Altar and Rosary Society, St. Vincent de Paul Society and taught Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) classes for various grade levels. Mrs. Evans was also a member of the Parish Council.

She was a member of the Monmouth County Democratic Club of Asbury Park and the Monmouth County Democratic Committee. She also volunteered for the Clothes Closet at First Baptist Church in Asbury Park. Vivian was a Monmouth County Girl Scout Leader for more than twenty years; a Cub Scout leader for the Asbury Park-Neptune Area; Vice President and member of the Asbury Park Board of Education; board member of the West Side Community Center; volunteer for the Peace Corp of America, stationed in Guatemala and, Central America for four years; a member of The Boys and Girls Clubs of America; the Center of Love for Alcoholics in Asbury Park; and was a co-founder of the Puerto Rican Civic Association in Asbury Park. She had received numerous awards for her humanitarian efforts from the following organizations: The Central Jersey Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc. Humanitarian Awardees; the Fourth Chapter of the Eastern Star Community Service Awardees, Sergeant Wilbur Ray Community Service Awardees, to name a few.

Her many years of employment with the Monmouth County Action Program (MCAP) and Monmouth County Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), afforded her the opportunity to assist many people, young and old, in various ways. She served a bilingual interpreter not only for MCAP and JTPA, but for the Monmouth County Judicial System, Jersey Shore Medical Center, and at various other community agencies in the area. She retired from JTPA in 1984.

Vivian, MA or Momma, as she was often called, was predeceased by her brothers, Julio Alvarez, Emilio Alvarez, and Elias Alvarez-Buzo. Surviving is a sister, CruzCelia de Rentas of Ponce, Puerto Rico; her daughter, Kim Evans-Mallory; a son-in-law, Wilbur (Tony) Mallory of Neptune, NJ; a granddaughter, Taylor Mallory; a grandson, Anthony Mallory; three nieces; two nieces; two nephews, five great nephews; seven great nieces, a host of great-great nephews and nieces, cousins and godchildren. Mrs. Evans also leaves behind a host of loved ones she incorporated in her family.

# Order of Service

## **INTRODUCTORY RITE**

Greeting  
Sprinkling with Holy Water  
Placing of the Pall  
Entrance Song

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading  
Responsorial Psalm  
Second Reading  
Gospel Acclamation  
Homily  
General Intercessions

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Preparation Song  
Eucharistic Acclamation  
    Holy  
    Memorial Acclamation  
    Great Amen  
Communion Rite  
    Lord's Prayer  
    Lamb of God  
Communion Song  
Eulogy

## **FINAL COMMENDATION**

Invitation to Prayer  
Sign of Farewell  
    Song of Farewell  
Prayer of Commendation  
Procession to the Place of Committal

### **INTERMENT**

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*"Together*



*Again"*

## *Her Journey's Just Begun*

*Don't think of her as gone away  
Her journey's just begun.  
Life holds so many facets  
This earth is only one.  
Just think of her resting  
From the sorrows and the tears  
In a place of warmth and comfort  
Where there are no days and years.  
Think how she must be wishing  
That we could know today  
How nothing but our sadness  
Can really pass away  
And think of her as living  
In the hearts of those she touched  
For nothing loved is ever lost  
And she was loved so much.*

### *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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