

*In Loving Memory of*



*Barbara Rodriguez*

*Sunrise: May 11, 1940*

*Sunset: May 16, 2016*

Service

*Tuesday, May 24, 2016 - 6:30 p.m.*

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Barbara Delores Satterfield Rodriguez** was born in Durham, North Carolina on May 11, 1940 and peacefully passed away in New York City on May 16, 2016. Barbara was the daughter of deceased parents, James and Bessie Satterfield. After her battle with cancer, she was strong to the end. Barbara held on while watching her favorite soap opera, she laid down and went home to heaven with a smile of peace surrounded by her family.

Barbara Delores Satterfield Rodriguez was extremely creative and worked well with colors. She moved to New York City and worked for Belt and Doll Company in Midtown Manhattan, NYC in her young adult years. Later, she met and married handsome, Jorge Luis Rodriguez who preceded her in death in 1984. That union produced nine children. Sadly, two children, Orlando and Raul Rodriguez passed away. The remaining seven children are Felicita, Jorge, Margarita, Milagros, Angelina, Barbara and Armando Rodriguez, and survived by her sister, Shirley Prescott and brother, James Satterfield III. With great pride in spreading the Rodriguez seeds, she is also survived by twenty- seven grandchildren and great grandchildren. Willie Gary, her longtime partner stood by her side until the end.

After have given birth to five children, Barbara trained and worked as a home attendant. One of her many great traits were her simplicity and wisdom towards life and welcomed diversity. She was very involved in her community doing tenant patrols, attending board meetings or just simply watching through her windows with her binoculars. Barbara was family oriented and over protected of her children and grandchildren.

Barbara had a strong practical attitude and approach towards life. She raised her nine children with love and affection. She believed in dealing with life and life's adversities. Barbara was known to be adamant about her feelings and thoughts however she's always had extraordinary love for those she knew. She was the life of every event, especially our annual July 4th family picnic on Randall's Island. Lastly, Barbara enjoyed spending endless times winning jackpots at the Empire Casino.

*A Mother's Love* is irreplaceable. We thank you Mommy for being one of a kind, and raising us through the toughest times. Being a mother and friend to many, you will always live in our hearts. You are a legend.

# *Order of Service*

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

*Remarks*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

*Final Disposition*

*Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York*

# *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *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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