

Evelyn Carlotta Blenman Sunrises March 30, 1918 Sunsets May 25, 2016

Monday, June 6, 2016 Viewing: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Service: 11:00 a.m.

GREATER REFUGE TEMPLE

2081 Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Blvd. • New York, NY Bishop Charles E. Wright, Jr., Officiating



Obituary

Sister Evelyn C. Blenman departed this life on May 25, 2016 at the blessed age of ninety-eight. She was the daughter of Philip and the late Mother Millicent Blenman, one of the great prayer warriors and partner of the late founder and establishmentarians of the Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, Inc., Bishop R. C. Lawson.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Letitia and Geraldine and three brothers, Deighton, Oscar and Herman.

She was born, baptized and grew up in the Refuge Church of Christ which was then located on 133rd Street in Harlem and has remained in this great organization the Greater Refuge Temple, until she was called home to be with the Lord Jesus Christ.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of the Saints." Psalm 116:15

Evelyn completed her education in the New York City school system. She was employed at Chemical Bank for a few years and spent many years at the Harlem Teams Adam Clayton Powell Guest Center until her retirement in her early 70's.

Sister Blenman loved to sing God's praise and had a beautiful soprano voice. She sang with the Senior and Mass Choirs. Sister Blenman was an active member of the Sunday School Department for more than seventy years. In fact, Mother Norvelle Powell recently shared that Sister Blenman was her primary Sunday School teacher when she was about seven or eight years of age. Some of the most impressive qualities of Sister Blenman was her sweet loving spirit, her prayerfulness and great love for her son, Michael. Her best friend over the years was Sister Juanita Suriel, the former Sunday School secretary, and Evelyn served as the assistant secretary for many, many years. She was loved and respected by many, and she will be sorely missed by all who loved and knew her.

Evelyn Blenman leaves to mourn: a loving son, Michael; nieces, Brenda, Sheila, Marcia, Ellen, June and Sandra; a nephew, Herman; great nephews, Jhamell, Philip, Keishane, Herman III, and Xavier; great nieces, Arnecia Monique, Anita and Mia; great great niece, Jhaida; great great nephews, Jhamell II, Jhacob and Malachi; as well as her church family, neighbors and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional
OfficiantBishop William Wilkins, Assistant Pastor Greater Refuge Temple
Prayer of ComfortElder Charles Council
Old Testament ScriptureMinister George Herriott New Testament ScriptureElder James Brown
Musical SelectionGreater Refuge Temple Memorial Choir
Reflections (Two minutes)
Acknowledgements/Resolutions and CardsMother Elizabeth Wilson Sunday School Department Sisterhood Seasoned Seniors, etc.
Final ReflectionsFamily and Special Friends Sharon and Prof. Hayward S. Gill, Jr Pres. of the I.F.A.H.P, Inc.
ObituaryGreat Nephew, Keishane Esturiene
SelectionSolo - Sis. Annette Richards or Memorial Choir
EulogyBishop Charles E. Wright, Sr., Pastor Greater Refuge Temple

Recessional

Benediction

Interment

St. Michael's Cemetery Astoria, New York



No reason for sorrow, no reason to cry. Look toward tomorrow and I'll tell you why my memories of you and yours of me are filled with love and laughter forever. You'll see no reason to worry, nor question God as to why you have lost me. No reason to say goodbye.

It's time for my journey home, a beautiful and peaceful trip that I must make alone. So just be strong and keep a smile, we'll only be apart for a little while. The love I've known is a very special part, the love I've shown came straight from the heart.

I leave you now to go on my way to a wonderful place where we'll be together someday. No reason at all as you can see. I'm with my Lord. He'll take care of me.

Pallbearers

Jhamell Keishane Xavier Anthony

Acknowledgement

The Family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during this period of loss and bereavement.

- The Family

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