

Celebration of Life for

*Madelene
Sookram*

Sunrise

March 26, 1940

Sunset

June 21, 2016

Tuesday, June 28, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH JERSEY AT GARFIELD

Passaic Street

Garfield, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney, Officiating

Lawrence Lyles, Organist

Reflections of Life

Madelene Sookram, born in Brooklyn, New York on March 26, 1940 to Saunders and Eunice Hampton Potts, Madelene was the youngest of five children.

Madelene spent her childhood and teenage years in North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina where she attended and graduated from Chestnut High School. At an early age, she became a member of Macedonia AME Church. Yearning for big city living, she migrated back to the northeast, making Englewood, New Jersey her home. It was here that she met and married Steve Gopaul Sookram. Madelene worked for over twenty years at MEM Company Manufacturing English Leather and Tinkerbell Products.

Sister Madelene was currently a member of Calvary Baptist Church of North Jersey at Garfield, under the spiritual guidance of Reverend Calvin McKinney. Sister Madelene had been ill for several years and had recently began to express that she was tired. God knew that she had fought the good fight and that it was time for her to rest. As we mourn her home going, we also celebrate her life.

She is preceded in death by her father, mother, two brothers, Saunders and Charles and by her two sisters Gerdell and Madelene's twin sister, Francine.

She was a loving daughter, sister, aunt, great-grandmother, grandmother and mother who departed this life on June 21, 2016.

She is survived by her daughters, Ruby D. Miller and Nicole D. Sookram. She also leaves her grandchildren: April Potts, Rajan Holder, Jabbar Drakeford, Robert Miller, Elijah Sookram, her great grandson Carter Ayodeji, her nephew, Michael Potts and cousin, Gail Morse; special family friends, Anthony Chestnut and Keith Taylor.

The Order of Worship

Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney, Presiding

Processional Clergy and Family

Hymn of Comfort #10 “O how I Love Jesus”

The Written Word

Old Testament - Psalm 27

New Testament - I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn of Consolations #432 “I’ll Fly Away”

Acknowledgements

Words of Comfort

Selection

Poem.....Anthony Chestnut
“Well Done, Well Done”

Reflections of Life.....Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park
Paramus, New Jersey

Come To Me

*God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He gently closed those loving eyes
And whispered "Come to me"
The days of toil and nights of pain
The weary hours have passed
The patient gentle worn out frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Day and night we stood by her
And saw her in pain,
Anxiously awaiting her cure
But our waiting was in vain.
God who knoweth all things best
Eased her suffering, gave her rest
She is gone but not forgotten,
Never will our memories fade
Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger
Round the place where she rests.
-Author unknown*

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Madelene Sookram** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this time of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!

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