In Loving Memory of



Sunrise: August 20, 1933

Sunset: July 24, 2016

Service

Thursday, July 28, 2016 - 1:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Rev. Dr. J.G. McCann, Sr., Officiating

Mabel Watson was born to the late Leonard and Marie Watson on August 20, 1933 in Kings Mountain, North Carolina. Mabel made her transition from this life on Sunday, July 24, 2016 in Montefiore Einstein Hospital in the Bronx, New York. Mabel attended Kings Mountain High School. After high school, Mabel met and married the late Linwood Rivers in Cherokee County, South Carolina. From this union, five beautiful children were born, Nanette, Dwight, Briggitte, Len and Glenn.

Mabel relocated to New York City in the late 1940's, where she was employed in domestic work for several years. She generously poured love into everyone that crossed her path. Mabel played the role of a mother figure to many near and far. She was engaged in all of the latest current events and was extraordinarily sharp witted. She loved music, her favorite artists were Shirley Caesar and Tina Turner. Mabel enjoyed attending church, taking bus trips, and taking care of her family until her health began to fail.

Mabel leaves to cherish her memory: five children, Nanette Rivers (Tyrone) of Washingtonville, NY, Dwight Rivers of Bronx, NY, Briggitte Rivers of Bronx, NY, Len Rivers of Bronx, NY and Glen Rivers (Karmalita) of Bronx, NY; eight grandchildren, Latrice Stowe (Dwayne) of Locust Grove, GA, Jayson Johnson of Bronx, NY, Thomas Eaddy (Shawnise) of Manassas, VA, Nikkia Rivers (William) of Bronx, NY, Jawuan Eaddy of Washingtonville, NY, Deon'te Houston of Bronx, NY, Armani Rivers of Bronx, NY, and Omar Touray of Bronx, NY; nine great grandchildren, Olivia Rivers of Washingtonville, NY, Laila Stowe of Locust Grove, GA, Armani Brown of Manassas, VA, Vaniaya Rivers of Washingtonville, NY, Dwayne (DJ) Stowe of Locust Grove, GA, Nyiobi Rivers of Washingtonville, NY, Nishock Asamoah of Bronx, NY, Nyla Kaba of Bronx, NY and Madison Kaba of Bronx, NY; two sisters, Ruby Watson of Atlantic City, NJ and Nell Watson of Bronx, NY; four brothers, Campbell Watson (Roszines) of Bronx, NY, Bobby Watson (Eloise) of Queens, NY, Jerry Watson of Staten Island, and Harry Watson of North Carolina; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Invocation

Hymn of Comfort....." "Jesus I Love Calling Your Name" (Shirley Ceasar)

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalms 23......Nikkia Rivers
New Testament - 1 Corinthians 2:5.....Olivia Rivers

Prayer of Comfort.....Bobby Watson

Song....."Precious Lord"

Reading of Obituary..... (silently)

Remarks

Eulogy......Rev. Dr. J. G. McCann, Sr.

Recessional....."I'm Gonna Miss You" (Smokey Robinson)



Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

Repast

At 3:30pm

the family welcomes you to join us at: 749 Jennings Street, Bronx, NY Basement Community Center (Between Union & Prospect)

To Those I Love

To those I love and those that love me, When I am gone, release me, let me go I have so many things to see and do You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears Be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love, you can only guess How much you gave me in happiness I thank you for the love you each have shown But now it's time I travel alone So grieve for a while for me if you must Then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's only for a while that we must part So bless the memories within your heart I won't be far away, for life goes on So if you need me, call and I will come Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near And if you listen with your heart you'll hear All my love around you so soft and clear And then, when you must come this way alone I'll greet you with a smile and say, "Welcome Home."

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all of the acts of kindness shown to them during their time of sorrow.

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