

Obituary

Thelma S. Smith May was born in Marianna, Florida, to the late Odessa Louise Lewis and Cliff Williams on February 15, 1953. In 1956 when Thelma was 3 years old, the family moved to Newark, NJ. She received her education within the Newark Public School System and graduated an accelerated junior from Weequahic High School in 1970. She received an Associate's Degree in Accounting from Rutgers Newark, and An Associate's Degree in Computer Programming from Albert Merrill Technical Institute of New York.

In 1970 she gave birth to her only daughter Delphia D. Pittman "Buffy". She gained employment at Christian Salvation formally known as Merchants Refrigeration Company in Secaucus, NJ. Thelma was a dedicated System Analyst Manager for over 20 years at this company.

In Thelma's spare time, she loved bowling. She received several plagues, trophies, and even participated in a televised National Tournament! Thelma became known as "Tee" around the bowling Alleys in the Tri-State area.

In 2001 she met the love of her life Soloman May and they were married shortly after on June 1, 2002. It is then she gained her "Chicago family". This was one of the happiest moments of her life. On her birthday, February 15th of 2016, Soloman was called home. Thelma and Soloman are now back together to spend eternity together.

She leaves to cherish her memories her daughter; Delphia Pittman and her companion Travis Porter, her granddaughter; Denae Pittman, and grandson; Khaleel Alexander. Two sisters; Delphia Linton (Bruce) of Newark, NJ, and Geraldine Bell of Temple, TX., Brother-in-Law; Warren Billups, Special nieces and nephews, cousins, God son Amon McKay, and numerous extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her sister; Vera Billups and brothers; Leroy and Harold.

Order of Service

Processional	Clergy and Family
Selection	
Scripture Readings	
Prayer of Comfort	Serenity Prayer
Music Selection	Harry Lawrence "I Won't Complain"
Obituary	Travis Porter
Acknowledgments	Belinda Linton
A Poem to My Sister	Delphia Linton
Final words from Punkin	Barb <mark>ara Aki</mark> ns
Remarks	Please limit to 2 minutes
Eulogy	
Recessional	

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery 620 Central Avenue Newark, New Jersey

Repast will be held immediately following interment at Welcome Baptist Church

234 12th Avenue Newark, New Jersey



It's hard to say goodbye....
I will always love you grandma.
And I will forever miss you.....
I feel like life cheated you...
But I know God needed you...
I guess He had better plans for you....
Babygirl, even though we are apart, you will never leave my heart!
Love Always Your Punkin





Pall Bearers

David Nelson
Brandon Billups
Rodney Linton
Travis Porter
Amon McKay
Derrick Davidson

Acknowledgement

The family of the **Thelma Smith May** wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, calls, and other acts of kindness extended to them during their hour of bereavement.

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