

*Celebrating the Life  
Of  
Elaine Weekes*

*Sunrise: February 13, 1938 - Sunset: August 12, 2016*



**Services:**

Friday, August 19, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

**Bishop Hilton Rawls, Officiating**

**Walt Sorey, Organist**

## Obituary

**Elaine “Yvonne” Weekes** was born on February 13, 1938 in Georgetown, Guyana to the late George and Doreen (Pile) Weekes.

Yvonne migrated to the United States in July 1981. She resided in East Orange and Orange, New Jersey until she was called to rest on August 12, 2016.

Yvonne was a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She was a God fearing person and made sure all of her children followed that path. Yvonne was a hard working entrepreneur who was always helping the less fortunate. She was also a skilled butcher, a skill which she acquired from her late father. She was known as an outspoken and opinionated woman with the kindest intentions. She so loved her home country Guyana that she travelled back home regularly. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Her courage and bravery will be missed by all those whose lives she touched, especially her children.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her daughter Deborah Fredericks, her brother Richard Weekes, sisters Ula Merrant and Sheila Massey.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories: her children Sonia Butts, Nigel Weekes, Kim Luke (Chris), Yonette Grant (Eric), Shameza Finch (Quwan), Sabrina Habibulla and Farouk Habibulla; Her Beloved grandchildren who could do no wrong in her eyes: Rshan, Anthony, Chris, Shaka, Rodan, Basha, Essence, Imani, Zaniyah, Erica, Yafee, Christian, Munir, Melissa, Justin, Michael and Kevin; great-grandchildren Aniyah, Rshan, Honesty, Aliyah and Keyon; Her siblings, Claudette Holder, Robert Weekes, Harvey Weekes, Brenda Robinson, Faye Farrier, Judith Weekes and Hilton Weekes; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

## *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Bishop Hilton Rawls

Recessional

### **INTERMENT**

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

"My mom taught me many things in life  
except how to get through life without her"

"You are a part of me, a part that will never leave, my memory could  
never erase you, not the pain of your absence nor the joy of your  
existence. You are within me, carried within my heart,  
the undercurrent of my thoughts, the inspiration of my days"  
May every tear that has ever fallen from your tired eyes on my behalf  
become a river for you in Paradise.

Our lives go on without you but nothing is the same,  
we have to hide our heartache when someone  
speaks your name, sad are the tears that fall,

Living without you is the hardest part of all,  
You did so many things for us,  
Your heart was so kind and true,  
And when we needed someone  
we could always count on you.  
The special years will not return,  
when we are all together,  
But with the love in our hearts,  
you walk with us forever.

Love Shameza

*"It is well with my soul"*

### *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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