

**A Celebration of the Life  
Of**  
*Julia Denise Clark Sousa*

**Sunrise  
June 2, 1971**

**Sunset  
December 22, 2016**

**Wednesday, January 4, 2017  
Eleven O'clock Services**

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street  
Newark, New Jersey  
**Rev. Edward Allen, Officiate**

## Obituary

On Thursday December 22, 2016, God, in His infinite wisdom and His divine love called from our midst our loving **Julia Denise Clark Sousa** to His eternal home and granted her Peace and Serenity.

Julia Denise Clark Sousa, known as Neicy, daughter of the late Catherine Clark was born on June 2, 1971 in Newark, NJ.

Neicy attended the Newark Public School System, Irvington High School and Our Lady Help of Christian Catholic School in East Orange, NJ. She attended the Sun Light Baptist Church of Newark NJ and also St. Pauls Life Center of Newark, NJ.

Neicy was a loving and affectionate person who would do what she could to help anyone. She loved her family and especially her children; Rashonda, Teyonia and Alfajir. Also her three grandchildren; Kamani, Allen and Aiden. She was married to her devoted husband Joao (John) Sousa.

On Thursday, December 22, 2016 Neicy departed this life to be with the Lord at the Clara Mass Medical Hospital.. She leaves sorrowing but not without a legacy of hope and love; her beloved husband John, her three children, Rashonda, Teyonia and Alfajir and her three grandchildren, Kamani, Allen and Aiden. She also leaves to mourn her niece and nephew, Takiesha and Subor Smalley. One God sister, Denise Culver, five aunts, one uncle and a host of cousins, relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her mother Catherine Clark and her brother Maurice Subor Clark.

*Order of Service*

Processional  
Clergy and Family

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Words of Acknowledgment

Remarks

Obituary

Solo

Eulogy  
Rev. Edward Allen

Recessional  
“Soon and Very Soon”  
Family and Friends

**Interment**

Veterans Cemetery  
Jackson, New Jersey

**Gone but never forgotten  
We miss you**

**Floral Bearers      Pall Bearers**  
Family and Friends

*I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.  
I took His hand when I heard him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee  
God wanted me now; He set me free.

*A Note of Thanks*

For giving us courage, for lending us hope, and for your untiring thoughtfulness at the death of our loved one, we acknowledge and express our appreciation. Each act of concern was of great comfort to us. We thank you individually and collectively for every gesture shown in our behalf. Your Christian compassion helped us to accept and understand the will of God. May God continue to bless each of you.

The Family

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