

*In Loving
Memory
of*

A portrait of Sarah Ashby, a woman with a warm smile, wearing a black and gold patterned dress and a matching gold and black crown. She is seated in a white chair against a light-colored background.

Sarah Ashby

Sunrise: December 20, 1955

Sunset: January 11, 2017

Obituary

Sarah Francis Ashby affectionately known as "**Pookie**", was born on December 20, 1955 in Metropolitan Hospital New York, New York, to the late James Ashby and Georgia Douglas.

Sarah was educated in the New York City school system and attended Julia Richmond High School. Shortly after leaving high school, Sarah worked for the New York City Human Resources Administration as an Administrative Assistant. Sarah worked for Human Resources until her health no longer allowed her to do so.

Sarah was an incredible person and loved spending time with her family and friends. She loved to cook and dance. Her dance moves and bright personality brought life to any occasion. If you needed a listening ear, she was the one you could turn to for advice. She was willing to help anyone in need.

Sarah leaves behind to cherish in her memory: her step father, Curtis Douglas, Sr. (New York, NY); step mother, Juanita Ashby (Mt. Vernon, NY); one aunt, Norma White (Brooklyn, NY); son, Louis K-bray Pope III (Lake Worth, FL); daughter, Kyra Jones (Bronx, NY); two sisters, Cynthia Caffey (Queens, NY) and Romaine Douglas (Bronx, NY); two grandchildren, Louis K-bray Nahor Pope and Elijah Pope; one brother, Elder Curtis L. Douglas (Bronx, NY); brother-in-law, Frank Caffey (Queens, NY); sister-in-law, Denise Douglas (Bronx, NY); daughter-in-law, Jessica Pope (Lake Worth, FL); brother-in-law, Clarence Harris (Bronx, NY); and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

Service

Wednesday, January 18, 2017 - 12:00 Noon

GREATER REFUGE TEMPLE

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Bishop Charles Wright, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Charles Council

Old Testament Reading.....Elder T. Washington

New Testament Reading.....Elder Leon Middleton

Solo.....Missionary Cynthia Robinson

Reflections

Acknowledgement of Cards

Sermon.....Bishop Charles Wright

Final View

Benediction

Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
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 or 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 up 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 heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

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Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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