

*Celebrating The Life of*  
*Vera (Irving) Vereen*

*Sunrise*  
*April 22, 1944*

*Sunset*  
*March 13, 2017*



*Saturday, March 25, 2017 - 1:00 p.m.*

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Barry L. Graham, Officiating*

## *Reflections of Life*

**Vera** was born on April 22, 1944 in York Mountain, Westmoreland, Jamaica. She was the beloved daughter of Esther and Hubert Irving. Vera found peace and rest in the Lord on March 13, 2017.

Vera immigrated to the United States of America in the late 1970's and lived in Paterson, NJ. She worked hard to provide for her two young children Chris and Mellisa whom she left behind in Jamaica. She found various employment as a nanny and live-in domestic worker. In 1986, her hard work and sacrifice paid off when she was able to reunite with her two children by bringing them to the United States. In 1986, she began employment at North Jersey Developmental Center located in Totowa, NJ where she worked until her retirement.

Vera had an unwavering faith in God. Anyone blessed to have spent more than five minutes in her presence is sure to have memories of her talking about Jesus or quoting scriptures from the Bible. She enjoyed singing and humming prayers and worship songs as she went about her day. She loved gardening and caring for her plants and enjoyed taking long walks in the park and around her community. She was known to go on little adventures such as riding the bus or train to no where in particular with her great-granddaughter Paris Brown whom she loved dearly and christened the "Little Princess". She loved and cared for others especially children. This was evident by her devotion to her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the many children she loved and tended to over the years.

Vera was the mother of two children Glenford Stamp (Chris) and Mellisa Berry. Vera's heart was forever broken when she was predeceased by her beloved son Chris on January 8, 2013 and shortly thereafter by her daughter-in-law Monica George January 31, 2013.

Vera leaves to grieve her passing and remember her legacy: her sister Jennifer Irving, daughter, Mellisa Berry; five grandchildren: Shamere Stamp, Danyelle Stamp, Christopher Stamp, Stephon Wright and Charisma Stamp, four great-grandchildren Ajaila Zimmons, Jaleyah Brown, Paris Brown and Jamari Brown.

# *Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Barry L. Graham  
Pastor, Canaan Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Recessional

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# *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!

-author unknown

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Vera (Irving) Vereen** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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