

*Celebrating the Life
of*



Murlie D. Flowers

Sunrise
September 13, 1933

Sunset
May 10, 2017

Monday, May 22, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.

Community Baptist Church
224 1st Street • Englewood, New Jersey
Reverend Dr. Lester W. Taylor, Jr., Pastor

*In Loving
Memory
of*



Processional of Family

Invocation

Opening Hymn/Solo
"When We All Get To Heaven"

The Scriptures
OT-Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 NIV
NT-John 14:1-6 KJV

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection/Solo
Kia Miller
"Because He Lives"

Expression of Condolences

Reflections
from friends, family, clergy
Madison Meier-granddaughter
Doris Archer-Hagins--dear friend
Paulette Meier-daughter

The Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection/Solo

The Message of Hope
Pastor Taylor

Closing Hymn

The Benediction

Recessional

Private Disposition

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Murlie Dorita Flowers and her predeceased twin brother, Sydney Flowers were born on September 13, 1933 in Belize City, Belize--Central America. She and her twin brother were the fourth and fifth children of eight children total--Raymond, Elnora, Edward, Basil, Joscelyn and Zelma.

Murlie was born into third world poverty and as a result received no formal education. When she came of age, she started working menial jobs to financially contribute to her household. As a young lady, she met and fell in love with William Alexander Arnold. She bore him two children--Carol Ann Arnold and Paulette Elizabeth (Arnold) Meier. Sadly, in late 1998, her eldest daughter Carol died of breast cancer.

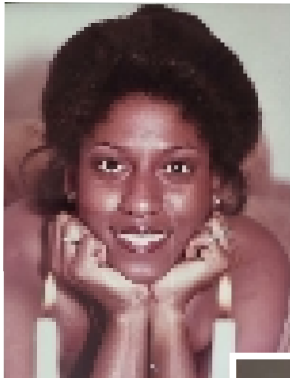
At the age of 40, Murlie and her two children immigrated to North America---first Ontario, Canada and then the United States of America where they resided in the following states: Illinois, Tennessee, New York and lastly New Jersey. Throughout her sojourn in America, Murlie worked as a domestic worker cleaning houses of affluent families. Her strong resolve to survive and provide for her children eventually landed her an administrative job for Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, NJ.

She worked there seventeen years until her retirement in 2003. Shortly right after her retirement she was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Murlie moved to Teaneck, NJ to live with her daughter, Paulette who helped her. She bravely battled Parkinson's disease as well as other illnesses for many years. Throughout the peaks and valleys of her life, she was still able to enjoy life. In her youth, she was an avid dancer, tennis player, and overall sports enthusiast. In her later years, she went to lunch with friends, attended sewing and knitting classes, took day trips, cruises, attended bible study classes and worked with the Missionary Ministry of Community Baptist Church.

Murlie leaves to cherish her memories with love: her surviving siblings, Zelma, Elnora and Joscelyn; her surviving daughter, Paulette and most importantly her only dearly beloved and treasured grandchild, Madison Carol Meier; as well as extended family members and countless cherished friends.



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Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

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

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