

A Celebration of Life For

A portrait of Stacie Ann McClendon-James, a Black woman with short dark hair, smiling warmly. She is wearing a dark, possibly black, top. The background is a soft-focus image of white flowers, likely lilies, with green stems and leaves. The lighting is bright and natural, highlighting her features.

Stacie Ann McClendon-James

January 7, 1955 - May 14, 2017

Service

Thursday, June 1, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

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1406 Pitkin Avenue • Brooklyn, NY

The Reverend Gregory Cunningham, Officiating

Obituary

Stacie Ann, affectionately known as “Cookie” was the only girl and final child born to Stacy and Noddy Elem-McClendon at King County Hospital in Brooklyn, New York. As a child, the family attended Newman Memorial Methodist Church, where she was baptized February 23rd, 1964. Brooklyn was home for the family, and Stacie attended P.S. 42, P.S. 113, JHS 271, and graduated from Sheepshead Bay High School. A talented artist, Stacie attended New York City Technical College majoring in Art and Advertising.

Stacie’s first job after high school lasted 14 years with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in Manhattan. In April of 1988, she landed her dream job, and began a career with the United States Postal Service. She worked in various positions including Acting Supervisor at two of the largest mail processing facilities in the state. After twenty-six years of faithful, dedicated and committed service, Stacie retired in 2014.

July 28, 1970, Stacie gave birth to a daughter, Nicole “Nicky” Jacqueline with Tyrone Hicks. September 10, 1977, a second daughter, Cortney “Cort” Tennille was born with the love of her life, husband Cedric James, who preceded her in death on January 28th, 1991. A devoted and loving mother and Nana, Stacie enjoyed traveling and had a special connection & affection for animals and loved having them as a part of the family.

Although gone in body “Ma’s” spirit and love will forever be cherished by: her daughters, “Nic and Cort”, “Nana’s” grandbabies, Correl “Peapod”, G’ne, Corey Jr “CJ”, G, and Nicholas “Lil Nic”; sons-in-law, Greg and Corey Sr.; big brothers, Michael and Bobby; sisters-in-law, Pearl, Debbie, and Barbara; nieces, Dawn, Ebony, Shaunée, Marissa and Amanda; nephews, Jerome and Keith and Prince, the family dog. Stacie will be deeply missed and always remembered by a host of family, friends, co-workers, acquaintances, and a special group of ladies, “The Divas”.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....Bishop Kevin McKoy

The Processional.....The Family

Greetings.....Rev. Gregory Cunningham

Scripture Readings..... Ms. Shaunée Hodges
Old Testament - Psalm 34:18
New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

PrayerMs. Ebony James

SoloBishop Kevin McKoy

Expressions & Reflections

Reading of Obituary.....Ms. Bernadette Payne

Solo.....Mrs. Emma Hicks

Eulogy..... Rev. Gregory Cunningham

Viewing

Benediction.....Rev. Gregory Cunningham

Recessional

Resting Place
Pinelawn Memorial Park
Farmingdale, 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!*

-author unknown

Words of Gratitude

*We'd like to express our sincerest thanks and appreciation
for all the expressions of sympathy, love, kindness, care
and concern during our time of heartbreak; you have
truly lifted our spirits and warmed our hearts.*

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