

*Celebration of  
Life*  
*Ruth Clinton*

*Sunrise: April 7, 1921*  
*Sunset: June 24, 2017*



*Saturday, July 8, 2017 - 2:00 p.m.*

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*Monday, July 10, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.*

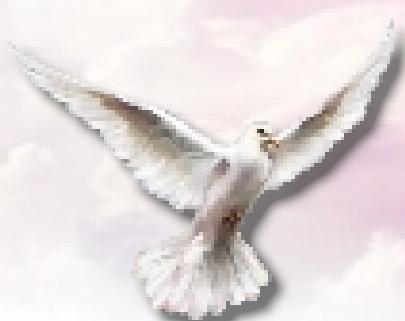
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# *The Day God Took You Home*



*A million times  
I've needed you  
A million times  
I've cried,  
If love alone  
Could have  
saved you  
You never  
would have died.  
In life I loved you  
dearly,  
In death I love you still.  
In my heart you hold a place,  
No one else can ever fill.  
It broke my heart to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone  
Part of me went with you,  
The day God took you home.*



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*Musical Prelude.....Musician*  
*Processional. Pastor Johnnie Green, Sr., Family and Friends*  
*Selection.....First Church of Christ Holiness Choir*  
*Scripture Readings*  
*Old Testament.....Rev. Gerald Beckles*  
*New Testament.....Deacon Steven Hill*  
*Prayer of Comfort.....First Lady Gloria Green*  
*Selection.....First Church of Christ Holiness Choir*  
*Reflections*  
*Special Tribute.....Sarahlynn D. Lewis*  
*Reading of the Obituary.....Divina Dunlap*  
*Acknowledgements.....Deacon Steven Hill*  
*Prayer.....Rev. Barbara J. Tilley*  
*Selection....."Safe in Beulah Land"*  
*First Church of Christ Holiness Choir*  
*Eulogy.....Pastor Johnnie Green, Sr.*  
*Benediction.....Pastor Johnnie Green, Sr.*  
*Recessional.....Pastor Johnnie Green, Sr.*

*Final Disposition*  
*Rosehill Crematory*  
*Linden, New Jersey*

## *The life of Ruth Veandress Clinton*

**Ruth Clinton** was born on April 7, 1921 as Veandress Waldon Clinton to Ruth and James Clinton in Norfolk, Virginia. She was the eldest of four children, Joseph, Elward, and Barbara. She attended Booker T. Washington High School along with her cousin, Elizabeth. Veandress finished High School and decided to go to the sea. She worked on the ships for some time.

In 1945, Veandress moved to New York City where she started a whole new life. Upon arriving in New York City, she changed her first name to her mother's name Ruth to whom she loved so dearly. She worked in the hotel New Yorker, where she had the honor to be of service to Billie Holiday. However, her ambitions led her to St. Luke's Hospital. She started in housekeeping and because of her stellar work and perfect attendance and punctuality she was promoted to the laundry department as supervisor. Ruth retired from St. Luke's Hospital after forty years of service with an outstanding work record and two awards for exemplary attendance and a monetary award for punctuality.

She lived a very active life entertaining family and friends, she loved cooking as well. She also enjoyed cruising to different countries. She was very active on many committees in the co-op

*development (1199) to which she lived for over forty years. Ruth Clinton was a God fearing woman; she would always praise Him for who He was. She was a loving Mother, Grandmother AKA Grandma Vee, Granny and Auntie to All of her loved ones.*

*She leaves to cherish her loving memories: her daughter, Alicia Dozier-Hodges; son-in-law, Theron Hodges; grandson, Robert Sikes (who preceded her in death); granddaughter-in-law, Kenya Sikes; great granddaughters, Donisia "DJ", Diamond, Lynette, and Ayriss; great grandson, Robert "JR"; great great grandchildren, Jamri, Journey, and Serenity-Monae Arianna.*

*She also leaves to cherish her memories: Veola Waldon; grandson, Ronnie "Boe"; granddaughter-in-law, Shirley Handy; great grands, Stephanie, Michael, Lorenzo, Joshua, Nicholas, Celeste and Nyasia; great great grands, Michael Xavier, Nyla, and Nicholas, Jr.; two nieces, Barbara Ann and Virginia Etta; three nephews, Gene, Ikie and Mark Raby; grand nieces and nephews, Divina Dunlap and Harry Thomas, Ellanah and Michael; as well as a loving host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.*

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# *God Called Your Name So Softly*

*God called your name so softly,  
that only you could hear  
And no one heard the footsteps  
Of angels drawing near.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
the day God called you home.*

*You're always close beside us, in everything we do,  
You were our greatest treasure, God's gift to us was you.*

*We will always remember that way you looked,  
the way you talked and smiled,  
The little things you said and did  
to make our lives worthwhile.*

*Each time we look at your picture,  
you seem to smile and say,  
Don't be sad but courage take  
and love each other for my sake.*

*Just a prayer from the family to you,  
just a memory fond and true,  
In our hearts you will stay forever  
because we thought the world of you.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement may God Bless and Keep you!*

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