Linering The Benutiful Life



Sunrise: April 16, 1952 - Sunset: August 19, 2017



Saturday, August 26, 2017 - 1:00 p.m.

Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

399 S. Broad Street, Ridgewood, New Jersey OFFICIATING - PASTOR THOMAS JOHNSON The late Roosevelt and Julia Butts were blessed with the birth of Brendly "Brenda" Raye Butts on April 16, 1952, in Hackensack, NJ. She was brought up in a loving, Christian home with sisters Linda and Felecia in Wyckoff and Paterson, NJ. On August 19, 2017 while holding her children's hands, the Lord whispered in her ear, "Job well done," and welcomed her with open arms after her battle with Renal Failure. With no more pain and suffering not in vain, Brenda earned her wings!

As a young woman, Brenda accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Personal Savior and was baptized at the Mt. Bethel Baptist Church in Ridgewood. Brenda was a long time Paterson resident and attended Public School #4, and graduated from John F Kennedy High School in 1970. It was during her high school years where she met lifelong friends and began her love for all things beautiful, such as designing and making her Senior Prom Dress.

Brenda met Bernett Platt in Paterson, NJ. They fell in love and in 1971, welcomed their firstborn son Vaughn. They married in 1974 in Marion, South Carolina and settled into making marriage and family work. In 1977, they were blessed with their second child, a baby girl, who they named Jacquelyn. The young family experienced heartbreaking loss, when Bernett passed in 1982.

Brenda as a young, widowed mother focused her efforts on caring and providing for her children. Prior to becoming ill, she was a Tenant Investigator for the Paterson Housing



Authority. She met many residents through this job and this is where her love for planning and organizing events flourished and she became a local favorite as a talented and reasonable event planner. She started her event planning business "Create A Fantasy" and this by far was her favorite hobby, bringing beauty into other people's lives by decorating for their weddings, baby showers, birthdays, and other occasions where family and celebrations were central themes.

As her illness progressed, her greatest comfort and joy were her grandchildren. Brenda loved each of them fully for their uniqueness. Marsone was her firstborn grandson and dearest to her heart. Aidan, she loved for his wit and intellect. Though she lost her sight before Savanah was born, she envisioned her likeness in a dream and the two were inseparable from since she was an infant. Brenda marveled at Asher's intense energy. Her connections to them were sincere, heartfelt and sustaining. Her family was instrumental to the woman she was and her daughter made sure that every occasion for her was not just something to do but an event to cherish. Brenda lived a very rich and full life with a lasting legacy.

The love she leaves will forever live on in the hearts of her children- Vaughn Platt, of Baltimore, MD, Jacquelyn Earle, of Bushkill PA. Four Grandchildren; Marsone and Aidan Platt, Savanah and Asher Lake. Son by Love and Caretaker, Neil Lake, Special Friend, Grantley Watson of Brooklyn, NY. Beloved Sisters- Linda Singleton of Parsippany, NJ and Felecia Smith - Compton; (Brother-in-law, Rev. Terrence Compton) of Ridgewood, NJ. Aunt, Rachel Stokes of Duluth, GA. Nieces and Nephews-, Octavia Lee (Charles), Chantonette Lyles (Kerrin), Terrenace and Harryl Smith, Paul, Charlyn, and Yvette Platt and three daughters by love: Chantel Jenkins, Tinesha Williams, Mashenda Green and a host of cousins, great friends, and neighbors.



The celebration of Brenda's life continues immediately after service, please join the family downstairs for food and fellowship.

During this time, please remember to fill out a memory card for Brenda's grandchildren.

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Marsone Platt Neil Lake Kerrin Lyles Shaleek Simon

Charles Lee

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So he put His arms around you
And whispered "Come to me."
With tearful eyes we watched you
As you slowly slipped away
And though we loved you dearly
We couldn't make you stay.

Your golden heart stopped beating
Your tired hands put to rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

- God Saw You Getting Tired, by Frances and Kathleen Coelho

Acknowledgement

During this unbelievable time of sadness, with grateful hearts the Platt/Butts family wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation to the many friends, family and loved ones who shared words of comfort during our time of bereavement.

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