



Julia Bass

Sunrise: December 6, 1914 Sunset: November 24, 2017

Service

Monday, December 4, 2017 Viewing: 9:00am to 10:00am Service: 10:00am

HARLEM CHURCH OF CHRIST

338 Lenox Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Dr. O.J. Shabazz, Evangelist, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Julia Bass was born in Iredell County, North Carolina on December 6, 1914. Julia was born to William and Louetta Feimster. Julia was one of nine children. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her seven brothers and one sister. Julia departed this earthly life on Friday, November 24, 2017 at the age of 102.

Julia moved to New York City as a young woman. Here she studied and became a Registered Nurse in 1949. Julia met her husband, Ivory Bass when he was performing in the chorus with Rogers & Hammerstein. Throughout her life, Julia enjoyed traveling with her husband to many different places around the world. Julia, her friends and her family loved playing cards. Julia retired as Head Nurse from Lincoln Hospital in 1980. Her and her close friend Mary Hazzard enjoyed attending Kennedy Center a couple of times a week up until a couple of years ago.

From a young woman, Julia became a Christian. As a member of the Harlem Church of Christ, Julia worked on two main committees, the Communion and the Bereavement Committee. Her and her sister-in-law, Lucille Feimster were in charge of the Repast for many years. As two of the older seniors at church they took their jobs very seriously.

When we think about Julia, the family agrees that she was truly the Matriarch of the family. She was the person to come to whenever we needed advice or any financial support. It was always easy for Julia to help because we were her family. She didn't have any children of her own, but she truly loved her nieces and nephews. She also loved her siblings very much. They too were able to count on their sister whenever needed. I'm sure the family can attest to the fact that Julia was a wonderful blessing and that we all appreciated and loved her very much.

To describe Julia we would say "feisty", opinionated and very, very independent. We remember how she took care of her brothers, Ervin, Leon and Oscar. She even took care of Edna and Estelle and watched out for Annie Mae. For the last five years we watched Julia slowly lose her independence due to various health concerns; two broken hips, a pacemaker, and dementia. As much as she fought against help we had to have others come in to her home to care for her. Ramona and Janice took care of all of her needs, along with Maureen and Eddie. Janice lived with her at least five days a week. Janiere and Ronzetta were willing to step in whenever needed. Julia and her family would come from Statesville to cook, clean and visit. Nicholas would call his aunt every single day, sometimes even twice a day. Other members of the family would call and visit whenever they had the opportunity. Even though she fought every step of the way, we knew she loved us for it. It goes without saying that we all will miss this very special woman very much.

Julia leaves to cherish her memory: her sisters-in-law, Emma Feimster, Lucille Feimster, Margaret Feimster and Estelle Feimster; as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL

INVOCATION

HYMN OF COMFORT

"No Tears in Heaven"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament New Testament

PRAYER

HYMN OF COMFORT

"Mansion, Robe and Crown"

SPECIAL READING

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Toni Welbon

OBITUARY

Sharita Harris-Sidial

REMARKS

Family and Friends (2 min)

EULOGY

Dr. O.J. Shabazz

BENEDICTION

FINAL VIEWING

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

IT WAS TIME

It's time Aunt Julia, you deserve your rest You made it to almost 103 years; God gave you a life that was blessed As Matriarch of our family you were the one we could depend on Throughout our years growing up we developed a loving and lasting bond Our hearts are saddened more than you could ever know No one expected on that night that you would go We thank God for his mercy as He gave you a gentle and peaceful release Life as we know it here has now ceased Remembering how independent you remained until almost the end Remembering how you would say "Oh Lord" still makes us grin No more heartache, no more pain, no more disappointments in this life No more anger, no more illness, no more tears thank God no more strife Dear God please strengthen the family with a continual bond of love We look forward to one day

joining our aunt with God up above

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of **Julia Bass** to express our thanks and heartfelt gratitude. Your prayers and other acts of kindness has been greatly appreciated. God Bless you all. - The Family

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