

*Celebrating The Life  
of*

*Sandra D. Oyawusi*

*Sunrise*  
*June 25, 1958*

*Sunset*  
*November 28, 2017*

*Friday, December 8, 2017 - 12:00 Noon*

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

**Rev. D'Andre Johnson, Officiating**

## *Reflections of Life*

**Sandra Dorothea (McCadney) Oyawusi** better known as Sookie was born on June 25, 1958 in Paterson, NJ to Dolores McCadney and John Wesley Windon.

Sookie resided in and attended Paterson Public Schools #13, Martin Luther King Jr High, and Eastside High School in Paterson NJ graduating in 1975. She later attended Passaic County Community College studying nursing. She worked as a plumber's assistant while in school. Upon completion of school she worked at Wellington Hall and Delridge Nursing Homes.

Sookie played the bass guitar which she had an extreme fondness of. Playing spades was a favorite pass time. She loved to play practical jokes on her family and friends, horror movies, crossword puzzles, knitting and crocheting. She loved animals and it was common for her to have at least 3 dogs and cats at any given time. She was known for having the best slumber parties, playing games with her daughter and her friends or taking them to work with her.

Sookie was feisty and the one the family called upon whenever someone gave them trouble. She had a hard outer shell but very loving and caring within. She was always willing to help her family and friends.

When she became a grandmother she told her granddaughters to call her Crazy Sookie, not grandma. She enjoyed spending time with them having water fights while her daughter was away on business.

She is predeceased by a daughter Coretta Dolores McCadney, her mother Dolores Harrell, step-father Walter Harrell Sr., aunts Floree Smith and Deborah Stevens, beloved friend Katherine Boyd.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory a daughter Floree McLoud of Orlando, FL, sons Charles and Andrew Oyawusi, a brother Walter (Bonnie) Harrell Jr. of Easton, PA, 3 granddaughters Zatyana, Zarina, and Za'Kyrria McCadney of Orlando, FL, 2 great grandchildren Zachariah and Zalisa Roberts of Orlando, FL, Fiance James "Cowboy" Richardson of Newark, NJ, uncles James(Michelle) Stevens Jr. of Upper Marlboro, MD, Keith (Celina) Stevens of Paterson, NJ, a host of cousins, family, and friends.

Sookie and Kathy are dancing among the angels, together again.

# *Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort

Rev. D'Andre Johnson

New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Recessional

## **Interment**

Cedarlawn Cemetery

Paterson, New Jersey

## *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*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Sandra D. Oyawusi** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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