

Celebration of Life for

Rev. Audrey Bailey-Owens



Sunrise: August 23, 1935 - Sunset: December 7, 2017

*"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life:*

*and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever." Psalm 23:6*



Obituary

Audrey Elaine Bailey Owens was born on August 23, 1935 in New York City to Samuel Leroy Bailey and Edwina La Marr Bailey.

As a child, Audrey was baptized at Union Baptist Church in Harlem, New York. She attended the New York City public school system and graduated from Central Commercial High School. She later graduated from LaGuardia Community College with an Associate Degree in Business Administration. She also attended Hunter College in New York City.

Audrey loved business. She was an avid learner continuously enrolling in courses and programs seeking to further her education. Audrey also loved beauty, fashion, and getting her hair done. She was signed to Ophelia DeVore's modeling agency.

Following her modeling career, she began working for the New York City Housing Police. She was elected and served as a Shop Steward for Union DC 37. She later transferred to the New York City Housing Authority where she retired in June 2001, after 42 years of service.

Audrey was an active member of Christ United Church later known as United Palace Cathedral under the teachings of Rev. Ike, ministries for over 44 years. She was a licensed minister, she served as President of the choir for over 10 years, and most recently served as the co-leader of the Golden Youth Ministry.

Audrey is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Daniel Owens, and brother, Lionel Bailey.

Surviving family members are: her daughter, Danielle James; son, Keith Mitchell; granddaughter, Ashley Hudson; sister, Maxine Huff; nieces, Melyne Carson, Anayah Ali, and Penelope Bailey; goddaughter, Jasmine Shaw; and a host of cousins, grand nieces, nephews, and friends.

Audrey will be remembered as a woman who loved and devoted her life to God and her family.

Lovingly submitted by the family.

**"For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways."
Psalm 91:11**

Service

Friday, December 15, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

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Order of Service

- Prelude.....Mr. Anwar Robinson
- Opening Prayer.....Rev. Jack L. Bomar
- Scripture Readings
- Old Testament - Psalm 91.....Rev. James Wyns
- New Testament - John 14:1-6.....Rev. Gerald Beckles
- Song....."Great Is Thy Faithfulness"Rev. Yolanda Wyns
- Reflections (2 minutes).....Rev. Lillie Dixon
- Acknowledgements.....Rev. Barbara Tilley
- Reading of Obituary.....Ms. Melyne Carson
- Song Medley....."Love Lifted Me"
"He That Dwell in the Secret Place of the Most High"
Rev. Yolanda Wyns
- Eulogy.....Rev. Jack L. Bomar
- Benediction.....Rev. Jack L. Bomar
- Recessional....."It Is Well"Rev. Yolanda Wyns

Interment

*George Washington Memorial Park
Paramus, 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

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May God Bless and Keep You!

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