

*In Loving Memory of*



*Rhonda E. Thompson-Washington*

Sunrise: December 25, 1958 - Sunset: April 13, 2020

Saturday, April 25, 2020

**HERBERT T. MCCALL FUNERAL HOME**

984 Prospect Ave • Bronx, NY 10459

*Reverend Russell Marquis, Eulogist*

# *Order of Service*

*Organ Prelude*

*Processional.....Clergy and Family*

*Invocation*

*Selection*

*Scripture Reading*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Acknowledgements*

*Selection*

*Reflections..... 1 minute please*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Benediction*

*Recessional*

## **Interment**

*Calverton National Cemetery*

*Calverton, New York*

# Obituary

**Rhonda Elaine Thompson-Washington** was born December 25th, 1958 (a Christmas baby) in Georgetown Washington, DC to the late Paul E. Thompson Sr. and the late Eardene Williams Thompson. She was the fifth child and baby girl of that six children union. On Monday, April 13, 2020 Rhonda transitioned home. Her purpose here on earth had been completed.

Rhonda eventually moved to New York City at the tender age of 5 where she had grown to know the Bronx N.Y, Claremont village to be her home. She was educated in the city of New York where she attended Bronx Community College, Evander Child's High School, and Junior High School 145. On May 30, 2004 she proudly accepted her Associates degree from Bronx Community College in Early Childhood Education. A hard worker by nature, Rhonda worked at Smith Barney for many years but eventually found her calling and love for helping others when she began her employment at Highbridge Nursery Day care on April 25th, 1994. She spent Twenty-four years working tirelessly to make an impact in the lives of anyone whom she came across in her day to day life. Even in her departure from the early childhood education field, she never stopped assisting others in any way that she possibly could.

Rhonda will be remembered for her smile, warm loving voice, the way that she cared so deeply for others and her ability to be the life of the party. She was a small but powerful presence and always called herself "a little piece of leather, well put together."

Rhonda was preceded in death by her mother Eardene W. Thompson, her sister Beverly Ann Thompson, her father Paul E. Thompson, and her niece Renee O. Thompson. Rhonda leaves to cherish her loving memory her husband Cerdan (Danny) Washington (Queens, New York); her son Karim C. Washington (Bronx, New York); her daughter Niema S. Washington (Bronx, New York); her grandson Jaiden K. Washington (Pudding); her granddaughter Kayla C. Washington (China); Mother-in-law Jennie Washington (Bronx, New York); her eldest sister LaCharnne Thompson- Davis and Brother-in-law John Davis (Roosevelt, New York); three brothers, Paul E. Thompson, Jr. MD (Seneca, South Carolina); Silas Thompson (Bronx, New York); Gregory Thompson (Bronx, New York); six sister-in-law's Audrey, Joy, Sharon, Renee, Denise and Venetta; two brother-in-laws Teddy and Darryl; six nephews Lloyd, Antwan, Erik, Paul E. Thompson, III, Jaison and Gregory; four nieces, Tiina, Danielle, Latoya, and Belinda;. She also leaves behind an abundance of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family and friends.

## *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, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've now found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah 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, and 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 and He set me free.*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of Rhonda E. Thompson-Washington wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the support, prayers, expressions of sympathy and acts of love and kindness during their time of bereavement.*

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