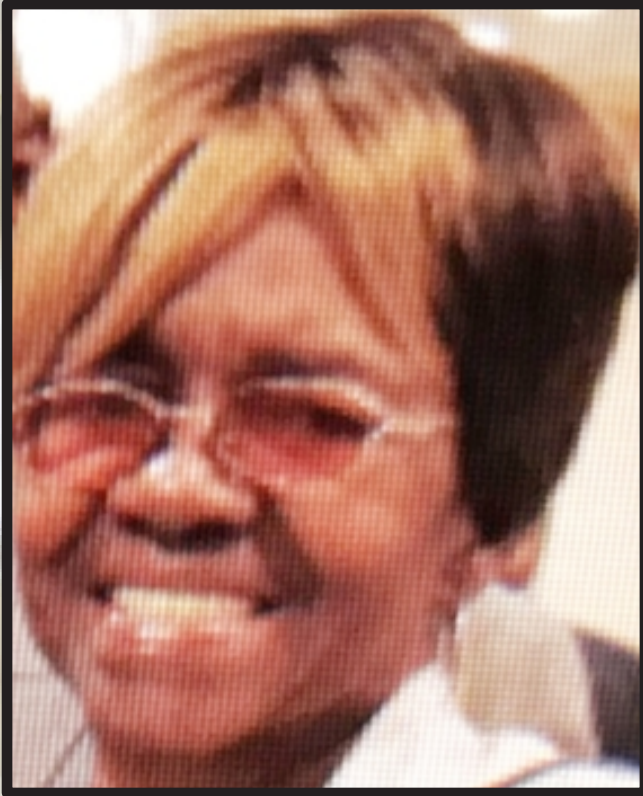


In Loving Memory of



Elaine Patton

Sunrise
February 8, 1948

Sunset
May 21, 2020

Obituary

On February 8, 1948, **Elaine** was born to Zackies Brown and Bernice Grant in Charleston, South Carolina. Her husband Robert Patton preceded her in death.

She moved to New York as a teen and completed her high school education by attending night school while working full-time during the day. She was employed by Verizon Telecommunications Company, (then Nynex) for over 30 years before she retired.

Elaine loved receiving home visits, especially from her grandchildren. Her children's friends became her children and her friends. A visit from anyone would quickly turn into a family barbeque. She enjoyed watching trivia game shows. Wheel of Fortune, Family Feud and Jeopardy were a few of her favorites that played on her television daily. She had a zeal for playing card games with friends and family. She would sit for hours with them playing games like Pitty Pat and Tonk. She also loved making visits to different cities, particularly, Atlantic and Empire. Notwithstanding, one thing she did not gamble with was having a personal relationship with God. She maintained daily devotions every morning when she awoke. In her latter days, when her body became weak, she was insistent on traveling alone on the subway against her families pleading. She would affirm that she refused to allow fear to limit her and chose to journey with faith.

She leaves many fond and cherished memories with: her children, Katrina Jones, John Jones, Jr., Lisa Jones and Yolanda Washington; her bonus Mom, Dorothy (Dottie) Brown; her siblings, Mrs. Linda Sampson (SGM Retired Joe), Mr. Zack Brown, Jr., Mrs. Brenda Simmons, Mrs. Lillie White, Mr. John Brown (Vera), Mrs. Mary Ann Shaw, Mrs. Marilyn Drayton (Richard), Mrs. Annette Simmons (MSGT Retired Frank), Mrs. Delores Youngblood, Mrs. Rosalie Brian Foster, Mr. Delbert Moore, Ms. Sheila Payne and her best sister friend, Mary Hollingsworth, her eight grandchildren, Kerri, Eric, Shalima, Sharina, Kyle, Shakira, Matthew and Michael who will share memorable anecdotes of "Grandma" with her ten great-grandchildren, Kenya, Gregory, Jr., Kalani, Kelsey, Kimaya, Kylee, Kerri Rhoda, Maliyah, Myles and Madison; along with a host of loving nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.



Interment
Mt. Rest Cemetery
Butler, New Jersey

God saw you were getting tired,
And cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around you,
And whispered, "Come To Me."
With tearful eyes we watched you,
And saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating;
Hard working hands are at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best...

Acknowledgement

The family would like to thank all friends and family for their support, prayers and kindness during this difficult time of bereavement. As we continue to rely on God for strength and comfort, may He bless each of you for the love you've shown us.

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