

*In Loving Memory of*



*Ruby Mae Canty-Porter*

**Sunrise**  
**14 September 1937**

**Sunset**  
**2 February 2022**

**Friday, 25 February 2022**  
**Viewing: 9am-10am - Service: 10am-11:30am**

**First Baptist Church**  
407 New Rochelle Rd, Bronxville, NY 10708  
**Rev. Lemont S. Granby, Officiating**

# Obituary

**Ruby Mae Canty-Porter** was born on 14 September 1937 in Sumter, SC to the late James Matthew Canty, Sr. and Daisy Louise Rhames-Canty. She was the youngest daughter out of eight siblings.

Ruby Mae grew up in Wilmington, NC and was educated in the New Hanover County Public School system. Once Ruby graduated high school she moved to New York to follow her sister Ernestine. She attended Apex Cosmetologist school wanting to beautify the world.

Ruby Mae decided in 1980 to go to college to get her Bachelor Degree. She graduated May 2005 from Mercy College with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. She worked in the New York City School systems in Special Education for 15 years. During the time she was achieving her degree she was working and had many setbacks but she never gave up.

Ruby Mae had an outgoing personality, good sense of humor, she was blunt and straight to the point. She never was a dull person, and she has a daughter that always kept her on her toes with many fun adventures. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church here in the Bronx for over 30 years. She had several passions trying to solve people's problems. She said that everyone is crazy and admitted it was the first step of the 12 Step program. Math was like that black Coach purse that is for every occasion. Her love of cooking sparked from taking care of her family. Mama taught her not only is food is for survival but food is also a way of expressing your love.

She is preceded in death by her husband Elbert Porter Jr. (married 63 years). Her sisters Odell Canty, Virginia Canty, Ruth Louise Canty-Conyers, Lue Letha Canty-Holmes, Margaret Canty-Holms, brothers Julius Augustus Willie Canty, Allen Fairbanks Canty and James Matthew Canty Jr.

Ruby Mae finally went home to her mother Daisy Louise on Wednesday, 2 February 2022.

She leaves her loving memories: Her oldest son Elbert Porter III, Elizabeth City, NC, second oldest son Rudy M Porter, Hempstead NY, her youngest and only daughter Renise Porter-Dehart, Windsor Mill, MD, her sister Earnestine Canty-Hastie of Springfield Gardens, New York. One grandson David Washington (son of Elbert Porter III) and her great granddaughter Paradise Washington (daughter of David Washington and granddaughter of Elbert Porter III). And a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# *Order of Service*

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**Processional**

**Hymn**

**Word of God Declared**

Old Testament

New Testament

**Prayer**

**Acknowledgements and Reflection of Life**

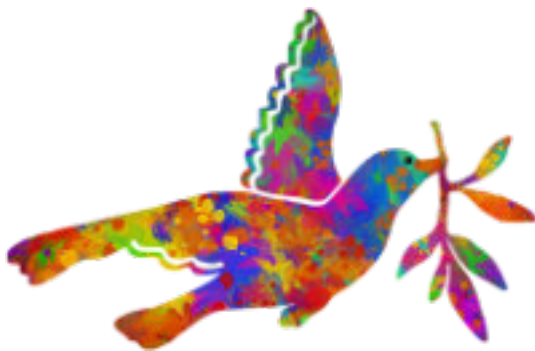
**Remarks**

**Selection**

**Word of Life Proclaimed**

Rev. Lemont S. Grandy

**Recessional**



*Interment*  
Calverton National Cemetery  
Wading River, New York

## *I'm Going Home*

Her soul departed from this earth  
But she lived life for all its worth  
There was not a person that she could not touch  
With her kind and gentle ways.  
Everyone wished that she had stayed.

Have you ever noticed how a butterfly  
catches your eye- and its beauty while it flies?  
How this butterfly spreads its wings  
And it touches each and every thing.  
How its gracefulness fills the air  
And takes away your thoughts and cares.

Like the butterfly who had spread its wings  
She has done such beautiful things.  
She is a free spirit who can now roam this earth  
To help others from their birth.

She will be that gentle breeze kissing your face  
At different times and in a different place.  
She will be like the fragrance from the flowers  
Growing from the ground  
Touching without making a sound.  
She has left the material things  
Of this earth behind- to live in another  
Place and another time.

Wave your hand in a gesture of hello  
You will miss her-that much she knows.

Louis Rams

Monday, September 27, 2010

## *Acknowledgments*

The family of the late **Ruby Mae Canty-Porter** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

The Porter – Dehart Family would like to Thank Ms. Sheryl Jackson her case worker from Hospice of the Greater New York for sending a beautiful soul as nurse Debbie Davis she has become our true family that loved and cared for my mother.

Special Thanks to:

Cheryl Hastie-Stephen, Earnestein Canty-Hastie, Cheryl Porter-McRitchie, Derocha Elision, Gwenevere Porter, Eric Owusu, Yusuf O'Neal

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