

*A Celebration of Life*



*Deacon Mary Alice Bryant*

**Sunrise**  
**June 29, 1946**

**Sunset**  
**February 21, 2022**

**Service:**  
**Thursday, March 3, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Macedonia Baptist Church**  
141 South Ninth Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY 10550

**Officiating**  
**Rev. Dr. Darren M. Morton, Pastor**

# Obituary

**Deacon Mary Alice Bryant**, 75, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 21, 2022, at Novant Forsyth Medical Center, in Winston-Salem, North Carolina after a hard-fought battle with illness. She was a loving and dedicated wife, daughter, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend.

Alice was born on June 29, 1946, in Henderson, North Carolina to Reverend Eddie Lee Terry and Sadie Bobbitt Terry, who preceded her in death. She has two brothers, Former Commissioner Thomas L. Terry (Claudia), Bennie E. Terry (Debbie), and one sister, Pastor Patricia Tonge (Bernard).

Most of Alice's early life was spent in Henderson until her mother relocated to Mount Vernon, New York in 1956. She received her education in the Mount Vernon School System and is a graduate of Tabernacle Bible Institute of White Plains, New York. She married Frank B. Bryant on November 25, 1965, in Mount Vernon and was married for 57 years. They were blessed with seven beautiful children, Michael, Frank Jr. (Renea), Mark (Gena), Christopher, Jermaine, Angela (James Cook), and Jonathan (Venise).

Alice's brag book consists of eight lovely grandchildren, Reina, Grant, Nicholas, Nick, Justin, Jordyn, Caydence, Tyler, and one granddaughter on the way; one great grandson, Liam; two god children, Ayana Gresham, and David Cousart; and a host of nieces, nephews, her church family, a special friend, Karen Cauble, and a golden circle of friends.

For over fifteen years, Alice was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church, serving on the Deaconess Board, the Pastors Aid Club, the Nursery Club, and other church committees when called upon. She was the former First Lady of two churches and a former member of New Life Missionary Baptist Church. Alice always made a statement on Sunday mornings with her stylish hats, clothes, shoes, and beautiful accessories.

Alice spent most of her life in New York, but for the past eighteen years, she made Winston-Salem, North Carolina her home. Her greatest joys in her life were her children and grandchildren. She loved spending time with them – especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Alice had a heart of gold and would give you the shirt off her back or her last dollar if she thought you needed it more than she did. She touched and impacted so many lives, always giving of herself to help others.

Alice was also an excellent cook and loved to make a variety of dishes. She was best known for her pineapple coconut cake, chocolate cake, cherry cheesecake and macaroni and cheese that would melt in your mouth. Whoever came to her house was never considered a stranger. She always welcomed everyone with warm open arms, treating them like they were part of the family.

Seventy-five years of her life is a testimony, which was filled with knowledge and wisdom that Alice imparted into those she knew and loved including her family.

# *Order of Service*

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- Presiding..... Rev. Dr. Darren M. Morton
- Organ Prelude.....Bro. Muralidhar Bryant
- Processional.....Rev. Dr. Darren M. Morton  
The Family
- Opening Hymn..... “I’m Free”
- Scripture Reading:  
Old Testament - Proverbs 31:25-31..... Gena Bryant  
New Testament - 2 Timothy 4:6-8..... Michael Bryant
- Prayer of Comfort.....Deacon Jermaine Bryant
- Solo..... Tambria L. Terry
- Tribute  
From Grandchildren..... Jordyn Bryant  
From Children.....Jonathan Bryant  
From Siblings.....Pastor Patricia Tonge  
Former Commissioner..... Thomas Terry  
From Husband..... Rev. Frank B. Bryant  
Remarks (1 minute please).....Friends and Family
- Obituary.....Dr. James Cook
- Acknowledgements and Remarks..... Betty Holley
- Eulogy .....Rev. Dr. Darren M. Morton
- Benediction
- Recessional ..... “I’ll Fly Away”

## **Committal, Benediction, and Interment**

Kensico Cemetery  
273 Lakeview Ave, Valhalla, NY 10595

## **Repast**

Macedonia Center  
103 West 2nd Street, Mount Vernon, NY 10550

# God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired  
and a 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  
and although we love you dearly  
we could not make you stay.  
A Golden heart stopped beating  
hard working hands at rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.

## Acknowledgments

We, the family of the late **Mary Alice Bryant**, wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all the prayers, acts of kindness, love, and outpouring of support and outpouring of support we have received from relatives, friends, co-workers, and neighbors during Alice's illness and after her passing.

Special thanks to the staff of Novant Forsyth Medical Center, including nurses Lindsey, Somer and Dianna, for the wonderful care they provided to our mom. We wish to also acknowledge the staff of Hayworth-Miller Funeral Home of Winston-Salem, North Carolina and McCall's Bronxwood Funeral Home of Bronx, New York for their professional service.

To all, your kindness, thoughtfulness, and love will always be remembered.

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