

In Loving Memory of



Martha Lime Dagbatsa

Sunrise
August 28, 1944

Sunset
January 18, 2022

Service:
Friday, April 1, 2022 - 10:00 am

St. Athanasius Church
878 Tiffany Street • Bronx, New York 10459

Obituary

“Jesus saith unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he was dead, yet shall he live.” John 11:25

We are indeed sorrowing. It is to the honor and glory of God that we gather here today to pay our last respect to our beloved mother.

Our mother, **Mrs. Martha Aime Dagbatsa** was born on 28th, August 1944 at Ejisu, the Asante region of Ghana, West Africa. She was the sixth child of the late Mr. James Kwaku Amoateng of the Aduana clan and the late Maame Mary Gyamfuah Poku of the Asona clan.

She started her elementary school education at Ejisu Roman Catholic School. She went on to Agogo Training College to pursue the study of nursing. She soon learned that she didn't like dealing with the dead and so she decided to pursue another career. Later she worked at Ghana National Trading Corporation (UNTC) as a manager. She also worked with Union Trading Company (UTC) as a manager as well. She later moved to the United Kingdom to further her education. Upon completion, she returned to Ghana.

In 1991, she met and married the widower and New York State social worker, Mr. Anthony Aime Dagbatsa, who preceded her in death in 2007. Through this marriage, she inherited four adult children and grandchildren. They are Mrs. Philippa Atiogbe-Birikorang, Mr. Nana Kofi Appiahene Asare, Mrs. Antoinette Kearney and Mr. Anthony (Joe) Aime-Dagbatsa.

She attended Lehman Community College and earned a certificate in early childhood education. Before becoming a teacher's aide at the Tremont-Crotona Day Care Center, she also worked as a home health aide. She retired in December 2006 due to her husband's battle with cancer. She sacrificed and cared for him by his deathbed, for two years until he took his last breath.

She came to know the Lord as her personal savior in 1990. She was a faithful member of the Church of the Revelation, in Bronx, New York. She was a diligent, committed servant of the Lord, who was also the leader of the women's prayer group.

On the late morning hours of January 18th, 2022, the Lord called her home to glory after being rescued from a fatal and tragic gas explosion of our family home on 869 Fox Street, Bronx, New York. She was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister, Kwadwo Abebrese Amoateng, Joseph Kwaku Amoateng, and Theresa Amoateng. She is survived by her brothers and sisters, who are, Kwame Amoateng, Lucy Amoateng, Evelyn Amoateng, Felicia Amoateng, Agnes Amoateng, and Patrick Kwadwo Amoateng.

She leaves behind numerous grandchildren, Nana Ama, Abena, & Celine Birikorang, Annlyssa Asare, Fredrick, Stephen, Michael, & Mary-Elisabeth Kearney, Carter & Shelby Aime. She also leaves behind nieces, and nephews, who are, Vincent Boakye, Edith Boakye, Yaw Twum, Yvonne Boakye, Irene Boakye, Nii Boye Annan, Emmanuel Amoah, Mary Berkoe, Ishmael Campbell Agyemang, Angela Berkoe, Shantel Campbell, Akua Amoateng, Kwedjo Amoateng Jr, Adwoa Amoateng, Kweku Amoateng, Kwame Amoateng. She leaves behind in-laws, John Birikorang, Alisha Asare, Fredrick Kearney & Walidah Aime. She leaves behind loving great-grandchildren, cousins, close friends, prayer partners and caring neighbors.

Order of Mass

Introductory Rites

(Please stand)

- Greeting (*family will gather in front of church & process in with priest*)
 - Sprinkling with Holy Water
 - Placing of the pall* if casket present (**large white cloth reminding us of our baptism*)
- Entrance Procession with casket or urn
- Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word (Scripture Readings)

(Please be seated)

- First Reading
- Responsorial Psalm

(Please stand)

- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel (read by priest or deacon)

(Please be seated)

- Homily

(Please stand)

- Prayers of the Faithful

Liturgy of the Eucharist

(Please be seated)

- Presentation of the Gifts (bread & wine) and Preparation of the Altar
- Casket incensed, if present
- Prayer over the Offerings
- Eucharistic Prayer
- Preface/Introductory prayers O Holy, Holy, Holy

(Please kneel, if able)

- First half of prayer, including Consecration
- Mystery of Faith
- Second half of prayer

(Please stand)

- The Lord's Prayer
 - Sign of Peace
- Lamb of God

(Please kneel, if able)

- Reception of Holy Communion ** Prayer after Holy Communion

Concluding Rites

(Please stand)

- Final Prayers for Deceased
- Closing Hymn
- Dismissal

Interment

St. Raymond's Cemetery, Bronx, NY



Miss Me But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.
-author unknown*

Acknowledgments

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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