

*Celebrating the Life  
of*

*Odessa Taylor*  
*June 8, 1959 - May 19, 2022*

*Celebration of Life*  
*Wednesday, May 25, 2022 - 7:00 pm*

**Union Grove  
Missionary Baptist Church**  
1488 Hoe Avenue  
Bronx, New York 10460



# Obituary

**Odessa Taylor** also known as Aunty was born on June 8th 1959 to the late Robert and Martha Williams, in the Bronx NY.

Odessa was the middle child but always the older sister to her siblings and the life of the party. She was one that loved shopping, vacationing, seafood, and crocheting in that order. If you ever had a free day with her and went shopping you know you were there till the stores closed, and y'all were going somewhere to eat especially for seafood. If you were having a baby you knew she was going to make you a blanket and outfit for the baby, and if you were blessed with one you know she did it right and one of a kind.

Odessa was a hard worker always wanting her own. She graduated from Morris high school in the Bronx, and then received her associates from Bronx community college. Always wanting her own she started working at an early age especially since she loved shopping. Odessa worked for the city of New York for over 40 years and retired in 2019 from the NYC Human Resources department. Her favorite story was how her and Thelma went shopping when she got her first check and they couldn't get home because they spent all their money. They told the police officer that they got robbed but had all their shopping bags with them.

Odessa had a union that brought two(2) children Rev. Earl Taylor and Shakeira Taylor.

Odessa loved kids that she had a number of God children, when she wasn't out shopping her house was always full with kids. She became a foster mother and took in children of all ages till she adopted Danielle and Brianna Taylor who she loved and cared for as her own.

She joined the Union grove Baptist church under the leadership of the late Rev. Fletcher C Crawford in the early 1970's where she served on the choir and as a missionary, she also was the matron over the junior missionary

Odessa was preceded in long sleep by her parents Robert and Martha Williams, brothers Rudolph Calvin, Godmother and aunt Emily white, sister friend Vivian Clekly. Odessa leaves to cherish her memories; Her children, son Rev. Earl Taylor (Tiarah) daughters Shakeira, Danielle, and Briana Taylor. Her grandchildren Nashana, Joshua, Zyon Francis, Earl Jr., Daniel, and Zuri Taylor. Her siblings Thelma cook(Anthony) Robert Williams, Patrica Archie(Kalvin) Demetrius Williams a host of Nieces nephew's Godchildren cousins special friends Pricilla Paxton and the girls from HRA, Fannie Mckins, other friends and loved ones. Lovingly submitted by the family.



# Order of Service

Procession

Hymn

Old Testament ..... Min. Kim Summers Ugmbe

New Testament..... Min. Shayrae Tolbert Ugmbe

Prayer Of Comfort ..... Pastor Roy Chestnut Little Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

Song ..... Evangelist Selene Crawford Ugmbe

Tributes.....1 Minute..... Friends Co-Workers

Inspirational Choir

Missionary

The Church

On behalf of the God-Children ..... Apostle Melvin Garland Judah Assembly

On behalf of her Children ...Rev. Dr. Earl Taylor Garden Of Eden Baptist Church

Song ..... Pastor Charolette  
Holly New Beginning Ministry

Acknowledgments/Resolutions..... Lady Sharise Llyanos  
First Calvery Baptist Church

Remarks ..... Rev. Frederick Crawford, Sr. Pastor, ugmbe

Reading Of Obituary ..... Sis. Nicole Keye  
First Calvery Baptist Church

Selection..... Tiarah

Eulogy ..... Rev. Jackie Crawford Day Spring Baptist Church

Repast

Final Resting Place

Rosehill Cemetery

Linden , New Jersey

Thursday, May 26, 2022

*A* mother's love is unconditional and always forgiving.  
Every up and down she's there.

Our mom was exceptional and always looking out for others.

Now that you're gone we have this void in our hearts  
you showed us the way in your own way and now we are here  
finding our own way to fill the void that you left.

You loved us and we loved you but God loved you best  
No more pain no more grief, you fought the good fight  
and now your race is done.

We will always see you in everything we do because of how  
you made sure we always did things and stayed together  
Our hearts hurt but you gave us love to share so sleep on we  
will see you in the morning

Submitted by her children

### *Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.



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