

Hail Mary,

Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now,
and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

A Letter from Heaven

When tomorrow starts without me,
And I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes,
All filled with tears for me.

I wish so much of you wouldn't cry,
The way you did today;
While thinking of the many things,
We didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me,
As much as I love you;
And each time that you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.

When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart;
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.

Acknowledgement

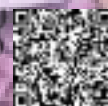
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A Celebration of Life for

Donna M. Samuels

August 9, 1937 – May 20, 2022



FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2022 - 11:00 AM

Christ The King

411 Rutgers Avenue • Hillside, New Jersey

Obituary

Donna Mastine Samuels (Key) “Sook/Sis” was born on August 9th, 1937 to Rosetta Lee Key and John Brady Key in Dothan, Alabama. She was the second eldest out of 12 siblings. Donna moved to Newark, New Jersey as a child in 1945 where she attended Newark Public Schools. In her teen years she helped raise her younger siblings and met James Henry Samuels Sr. (Boodney) in 1951 on Rutgers St. in Newark, NJ. They went on to get married and had 4 children together, James, Janice, Steven, and Stephanie. Donna was very religious and dedicated her life to God. She was a member of Queen of Angels, apart of the Rosary Society and worked at Queen of Angel’s Catholic School, as the cafeteria director for 20+ years.

In 2001 Donna and James moved to Hillside, NJ and several years later Donna joined Christ the King Church, where she was a part of the choir. Donna enjoyed traveling and vacations with her husband. One of her favorite places to go was her families annual summer trip to Wildwood, New Jersey. Donna loved cooking for her family and enjoyed spending time with her family.

She was a loving, caring, generous soul with a great sense of style.

She leaves in memory: her children and in-laws James Samuels Jr. (Gwendolyn Robinson), Janice (Orlando Lee), Steven Samuels, and Stephanie (Jimmie Newsome Jr.). Her six grandchildren Jimmie III, Stephanie “Crystal” (Quincy Amekuedi), Dominique, Christina, Steven Jr., Stephon and ten great grandchildren. Her brother Randolph Michael Key and in-laws, Lillian Key, Marion Key, Jean Holmes Key and Louise Key. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends. She is preceded in death by her parents Rosetta Lee and John Brady Key; brothers and sister John Jr. Key, Annette Key, Robert Key, Mack (Ricky) Key, Phillip Key, Tyrone Key, Bonnie Key, William Key Sr., and Barnett Key. May they all rest in peace.



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Order of Service

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting
Sprinkling with Holy Water
[Placing of the Pall]
Entrance Procession
[Placing of Christian Symbols]
Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book of Wisdom read by: Hafeezah Abdullah
A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans read by: Marion Key

Homily
General Intercessions

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation to Prayer
Silence
[Signs of Farewell]
Song of Farewell
Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Entombment

Hollywood Memorial Cemetery
Union, New Jersey