

*Celebration Of The Life Of*  
*Nancy E. Shannon*

*Sunrise*  
*December 5, 1941*

*Sunset*  
*July 9, 2022*

*Service*

*Tuesday, July 19, 2022 • 11:00 a.m.*

**Rose Of Sharon Community Church**  
825 West Seventh Street • Plainfield, New Jersey 07063  
*Michael J. Jordan, Eulogist*

# Order of Service

Musical Prelude ..... Professor Emery Lee

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament..... Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

New Testament..... John 14:1-6

Prayer Of Comfort

Musical Selection

Reflections (2 Minute Please)

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Musical Selection

Eulogy.....Michael J. Jordan

*Mt. Olive Baptist Church • East Orange, NJ*

Recessional

## Interment

Frostwood Memorial Park  
336 New Brunswick Ave  
East Brunswick, NJ 08816



# Obituary

**Nancy Elizabeth Shannon** was born December 5, 1941, the third daughter of James and Florence (nee Hester) Shannon at their home in Baxter Terrance apartments, on Orange Street in Newark, NJ. On July 9, 2022, She transitioned at Care One, Edison NJ.

Nancy was educated in the Newark school system, graduating from Arts High School in 1960. After high school, she enrolled in a court technology class, finishing at the top of her class. Despite doing so, she was told by her instructor that she would not be hired by the court system because she was Black. Upon being told that she would not be hired in the court system in New Jersey, Nancy was employed as a court stenographer in Brooklyn, NY. In 1964, she left the court system and went to work for the Newark Public Library working her way up to supervising library assistant, a position she held until retiring on September 1, 1998. While working at the library, Nancy attended Rutgers University in Newark where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1972.

In the early sixties, Nancy was a member of CORE and was very active in the Civil Rights Movement. She enjoyed operas, classical music and loved to travel, especially cruising. Her mother and maternal grandmother were instrumental in developing this interest in music. She visited Europe and attended many concerts and operas. She liked to talk about these trips and the people that she met and interacted with.

Nancy was an excellent cook, everyone looked forward to her peach cobbler on Thanksgiving. Everyone that knew Nancy knows she had to smell EVERYTHING and when you mentioned it to her, she would just laugh with her infectious laugh and say, "That's right."

Nancy leaves to cherish her memory, her sister Carol Jones (Bill), Uncle Welford Hester, nieces Cheri Butler-Mack (Carter), Florene "Pumpkin Head" Hawks (Steven) and Paula "Bunny Face" Jones, nephew William Bore Jones (Sonya), grand-nieces and nephew: Loleeta, Lenora, Bianca, Illicia, Mehrissah, Simone, Christopher, and Grace (Ife), six great-nieces and two great-nephews and host of other relatives and friends. Nancy was predeceased by her father James Shannon, mother Florence Haygood, sister Winifred Butler and nephew Leonard Butler.





## *God Called Your Name So Softly*

*God called your name so softly, that only you could hear  
And no one heard the footsteps of angels drawing near.  
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.  
You're always close beside us, in everything we do,  
You were our greatest treasure, God's gift to us was you.*

*We will always remember that way you looked, the way you talked and smiled,  
The little things you said and did to make our lives worthwhile.  
Each time we look at your picture, you seem to smile and say,  
Don't be sad but take courage and love each other for my sake.  
Just a prayer from the family to you, just a memory fond and true,  
In our hearts you will stay forever because we thought the world of you.*

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

*Nephews*

### *Flower Bearers*

*Nieces*

### *Acknowledgements*

*The family of the late Nancy E. Shannon wishes to  
acknowledge with deep appreciation for the many flowers,  
cards and sincere prayers! We thank you all.*

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