

Celebrating The Life
of

Joyce Thelwell

August 7, 1930 - July 25, 2022



Service Information

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022

Viewing: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Service: 10:00 AM

OLIVET GOSPEL CHURCH

3900 Dyre Avenue • Bronx, NY 10466

Reverend Dr. Russell McLeod, Senior Pastor

Reverend Nancy George, Officiating
(Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bronx NY)

Denise Lawson, Organist

Interment

Woodlawn Cemetery
Bronx, NY

Pallbearers

Kwane Brown (Grandson)
Matthew Vernon (Grandson-in-Law)
James McIver (Son-in-Law)
Amauri Vernon (Great Grandson)



Order of Service

Processional	“The Old Rugged Cross”, Congregation
Invocation	Rev. Dr. Russell McLeod
Prayer of Comfort	Min. Stephen Jackson
First Scripture Reading	
Revelation 21:1-7 (KJV)	Marsha Comrie (Granddaughter)
Hymn.....	“Dreaming of a City”, Denise Vidal (Niece)
Remembrance	Colin Thelwell (Nephew)
Eulogy	Yvonne Williams (Daughter)
Songs.....	Emmanuel Baptist Church, Organist
Tribute.....	Stephen Banks (Emmanuel Baptist Church)
	Renee Hylton (Grandniece)
	Danny Burton (Cousin)
Special Music.....	“Great is Thy Faithfulness”, Denise Vidal (Niece)
Acknowledgement	Vilma McIver (Daughter)
Second Scripture Reading	
1 Corinthians 15:50-58, (KJV)	Kwane Brown (Grandson)
Homily	Rev. Nancy George
Benediction	Rev. Dr. Russell McLeod
Final Instructions	Eternity Funeral Services Directors
Recessional	



Obituary

Joyce Thelwell was born on August 07,1930 in Montego Bay, Jamaica to parents, Laurie Clarke and James Thelwell, both of whom preceded her in death.

Joyce transitioned in her sleep at home on Monday, July 25, 2022, in Co-op City, Bronx, New York.

Joyce attended Montego Bay Girls Primary School. After graduating, she pursued other interests. She worked at Montego Beach Hotel for many years. In 1968, Joyce was given the opportunity to immigrate from Jamaica to the United States of America. She arrived in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she worked as a Nanny. She then moved to Hollywood, Florida and continued working as a Nanny. Another transition led Joyce to move to The Bronx, New York where she worked at Seagram's Office Canteen as a waitress/cashier for many years.

Joyce unfortunately became ill and stopped working for a while. She was able to return to work after she recovered and worked as a Home Attendant. Illness struck again and she had a stroke one day, while at work and was unable to work thereafter.

Joyce loved to read, especially her bible and the newspaper. She enjoyed going to church. She was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church for over forty years. She also loved to watch television (especially the news) and gardening. She can turn a leaf into a beautiful plant. Joyce loved music and enjoyed dancing. Most importantly she loved the Lord and people.

She was full of life, and a very happy person. She was the Matriarch of the family. Joyce never spoke ill of anyone. Her heart was always filled with love and compassion. She never hesitates when it comes down to helping others, whether it was a friend, a family member and even a stranger on the street. A beautiful soul Joyce Thelwell was. A beloved mother and an unforgettable human being!

Joyce is survived by three of her four children: Kingsley, Vilma, and Yvonne. Her daughter Grace preceded her in death. Brothers: Horace and Joel, sisters: Vilma and Peggy; 9 grandchildren: Kwane, Raquel, Ryan, Marsha, Stacy, Kevin, Karen, Lavern, Chantelle; 15 great grandchildren: Shalamar, Sarai, Nathaniel, David, Jada, Dominique, Lauryn, Logan, Kelsey, Kaitlin, Bianca, Grace-Ann, Gianna, Amauri, Aubree; son-in-law James, nieces, nephews, cousins, church family and a host of loving family and friends.

You will be Greatly Missed by all!
We love you
R.I.P. (Rest in Peace)
Our beloved Joyce

The Old Rugged Cross



On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary. [Refrain]

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me. [Refrain]

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share. [Refrain]

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain.

Great is thy faithfulness!

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]



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Acknowledgement

*The family of **Joyce Thelwell** acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.*

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