In Loving Memory of Francis earl

Sunrise: November 17th, 1937

> Sunset: April 1st, 2023

> > TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH, 2023 - 10:00 AM

Second Macedonia Baptist Church 1251 Fairmount Avenue • Elizabeth, New Jersey Rev. Joseph Adair, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Pearl Francis, 85, of Elizabeth New Jersey, passed away on April 1st 2023, after a long battle with Cancer.

Pearl along with her twin brother Paul were born on November 17th, 1937, to Adolphus and Catherine Charles in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. Pearl was one of six children which included Paul, Errol, Beulah, Rosaline and Rufus. Her family was very religious. As a child, Pearl often took care of the church her family attended. She would cut flowers for the alter and prepare the space for services. After graduating from Diego Martin Secondary School, she began working for the Red Cross.

In 1968, she decided to relocate to America in order to help support her family in Trinidad. After a short stay in New York, she moved to New Jersey. There she began working as a registered nurse; first at Columbus Hospital then at New Community Extended Care facility in 2004.

In 1972, she married Carlton Francis, and they had one child together, Theodora Francis. When Pearl had Theodora, she dedicated her life to being a fantastic and wonderful mother. She was kind, generous, supportive and compassionate. She was also a mother figure to many and created an environment where everyone felt safe and secure, you could talk to her about anything and not feel judged. She always looked out for others and their wellbeing. She made it her mission to improve the lives of others. Throughout her career as a nurse, she was recognized many times for her service. She along with 14 colleagues at New Community Extended Care Facility were featured in the Star Ledger for their stellar attendance, dedication and service to their job and patients.

Pearl was passionate about cooking and was affectionately called Sweet Hand by her family because of her delicious food. She loved crocheting and knitting and would often give away her creations. As a child she was an avid cricket and netball player. Later in life she explored gardening and sewing. Pearl was predeceased in death by her husband Carlton, parents Adolphus and Catherine, her aunt Lenota, and siblings Paul, Errol and Beulah. She is survived by her daughter Theodora, her siblings Rosaline and Rufus and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Theodora's words: Life began by waking up and seeing my mother's face. All that I am and all that I hope to be is owed to my mother who I call an angel and will love for eternity.

We will miss her greatly.

Order of Service

ProcessionalPastor & Family
Scripture Psalm 23: Old Testament John 14 verse 1-6: New Testament
PrayerPastor Adair
SelectionChoir
Obituary ReadingTiffany Charles
PoemAvalon Adams
Reflective RemarkLinette Charles
SelectionChoir
Remarks (max. 2 minutes please)Friends and Family
Acknowledgements & CondolencesPastor Adair
EulogyPastor Adair
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Interment Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey



Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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