



We Love You

Phenomenal Woman

BY MAYA ANGELOU

Pretty women wonder where my secret lies.

I'm not cute or built to suit a fashion
model's size

But when I start to tell them,
They think I'm telling lies.

I say,

It's in the reach of my arms,
The span of my hips,
The stride of my step,
The curl of my lips.

I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

I walk into a room
Just as cool as you please,
And to a man,

The fellows stand or
Fall down on their knees.
Then they swarm around me,
A hive of honey bees.

I say,

It's the fire in my eyes,
And the flash of my teeth,
The swing in my waist,
And the joy in my feet.

I'm a woman
Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

Men themselves have wondered

What they see in me.

They try so much

But they can't touch

My inner mystery.

When I try to show them,
They say they still can't see.

I say,

It's in the arch of my back,
The sun of my smile,
The ride of my breasts,
The grace of my style.

I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

Now you understand
Just why my head's not bowed.

I don't shout or jump about
Or have to talk real loud.
When you see me passing,
It ought to make you proud.

I say,

It's in the click of my heels,
The bend of my hair,
The palm of my hand,
The need for my care.

'Cause I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

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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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Kim C. Bailey

Sunrise: February 21, 1959

Sunset: June 19, 2023



FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2023 - 11:00 AM

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating
Joshua Nelson, Organist*

Obituary

Kim Bailey was born on February 21, 1959 in Newark, New Jersey. She was the daughter of the late Lindsay “Bill” and Hazel Bailey. She was a loving sister and survived by her siblings Carlos “Buddy” Bailey, Eva “Suzie” Isler, Loretta “Gail” Bailey, Faye Banks and her very special cousin Walter “Punchy” Bailey. Siblings preceded in death are Angelo Bailey, Ronald “Ronnie” Bailey, and Karen “Yappy” Bailey.

Kim graduated from Quitman St. Elementary and went on to graduate from East Orange High School. Following her graduation, she held many business positions. She held tenure of 40 years with Northern Trust Bank upon retirement as a Team Leader.

Kim met the love of her life, the late Dwayne Kennedy, and together they had a son Tariq Bailey. She was a loving mother to her son, loved being a grandmother to her grandson Nyree Bailey and grand-daughter Taraji Bailey. Kim was immensely proud of her family which grew to her being a loving mother-in-law to Adrienne Bailey and step-grandmother to Zonyeh Sherrod-Neal.

Kim truly lived life to the fullest through simple pleasure. She enjoyed going on shopping trips Target and Walmart with her favorite side-kicks Tariq and Nyree. She also enjoyed going to dinners and online shopping to find the latest gadgets as well as chatting with friends and family.

Kim was a devoted aunt to many, an adviser, a friend, and a mother to those who needed a mom. She leaves precious and loving memories to all her nieces and nephews- Natasha, Malika, I’Drionna, Qabid, Angelica, Taisa, Eric, Brian, Tameeka, Tatiana, Marcus, Miles, Maya, Chloe, Omar, Charisse, Keyonna, the late Jared and Nieem; and a many great nieces and nephews.

Holding these roles as a phenomenal woman, she enjoyed cooking for all especially during Thanksgiving. She was best known for her delicious and famous corn pudding and sweet potato pies. Kim was the backbone of the family always willing to help .Throughout Kim’s life, she cared and welcomed all and was always supported and gave whatever was needed to help others, despite anything that was going on in her own personal life.

Kim endured a long cancer battle, after years of treatments her body could no longer carry on. Kim passed away on June 19, 2023, at Morristown Memorial Hospital. She may be gone in the physical but her love and joy will be us all forever in our hearts.

“My time on this Earth may have been shorter than I would like, but a life full of enriching experiences. Those lessons are simple too – be kind, be honest and be helpful.”



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

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Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Good Hope Cemetery
Front Royal, Virginia