

*Celebration of Life
For*



Mary Graves

Sunrise: May 26, 1949 - Sunset: August 27, 2024

Service
Monday, September 16, 2024 - 9:30 A.M.
HERBERT T. MCCALL FUNERAL HOME
984 Prospect Ave • Bronx, NY 10459

Order of Service

Family and Friends Reflections



Interment

*Forest Green Memorial Park
Morganville, New Jersey*

Obituary

Mary Graves was born in Jasper County, South Carolina on May 26, 1949 to Albertha Graves. She was the oldest of four children.

Mary graduated from Ridgeland High School on May 23, 1971 in South Carolina. After finishing High School she relocated to the Bronx, New York where she would meet Douglas Bryant and from that union they had three beautiful children, Judy, Damien, and Emil Graves. Mary worked for the Parks Department and Harlem Hospital. She was an active parent who made sure her children completed their studies.

She was an avid music lover. Her favorite musical group was the Isley Brothers and James Earl Jones was her favorite actor. When she was not helping her kids with their homework, she would try her best to make sure they stayed out of trouble with the law. She touched many lives and will truly be missed.

Mary leaves to mourn her sons, Damien and Emil Graves; siblings, John Henry and Theodore both of Salisbury Maryland; and Louvessa Stephens; sister-in-law, Joy Graves; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now; I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard Him call.
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've now found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things, I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, and I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift-up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now and He set me free.*

Acknowledgements

The family of Mary Graves wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the support, prayers, expressions of sympathy and acts of love and kindness during their time of bereavement.

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