

Celebrating the Life of



Vera Hassell

Sunrise: February 20, 1943 Sunset: February 25, 2025

Thursday, March 6, 2025 - 12NOON

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Obituary

Vera Hassell was born in Lumberton, North Carolina on February 20, 1943 to the late Lula Mae and Gilbert Fletcher McLaurin. Vera entered into eternal rest on February 25, 2025.

Vera attended JH Haywood High School in Lumberton, NC and graduated. After high school, she went to stay with her sister in Washington, DC. and worked with her sister a short while in a local restaurant. Then, she moved to New York City with another sister and held other jobs. Shortly after, she met and married Cesar Hassell. This union was blessed with one child, Cesar Hassell Jr. Later on, Vera worked for Manhattan Developmental Services as a Mental Hygiene Therapist Aide until she retired.

Vera as she was affectionately known, was a shining light in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her journey on this earth was one marked by compassion, love, caring, forgiving and her faith in God. Vera loved laughing, dancing and entertaining her family and friends.

Vera passing has left a void in the hearts of her family, friends and many more who lives were touched by her. The memory of Vera will never be forgotten and will be always cherished.

Vera is preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and five sisters.

Vera is survived by her husband of 55 years Cesar Hassell; son, Cesar Hassell Jr.; grandson, Malcolm Watson; sister, Eva James; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Woodlawn Cemetery

Asleep

I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep,
So there's no reason for you to weep;
This is a debt we all must pay,
You will see me again someday.
I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow,
Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.
But life for you must go on,
You must not worry because I'm gone.
You stood beside me all the way,
When I was down, you knew what to say ...
You always told me, "get some rest,"
Let me sleep now, I've done my best.
So please let me rest in peace,
The tears you're shedding soon will cease.
You'll soon realize this was meant to be, I
thank God because He came for me.
-Emily Dickinson

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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