

Celebrating

THE LIFE OF

Mrs. Esmie Cynthia Grant



Sunrise
March 4, 1937

Matrimony
March 30, 1966

Sunset
September 21, 2023

Celebration Of Life
Saturday, October 7, 2023 • 11:00 a.m.

Full Gospel Christian Fellowship Church
400 Old Tarrytown Road • White Plains, NY 10603

Obituary

Esmie Cynthia Grant was born March 4, 1937 in Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies to Charles Augustus Grant and Zilotries Amanda Beckford. She united in Holy Matrimony to her beloved Husband Zedekiah Grant on March 30, 1966 in Kingston, Jamaica. To this union, two sons, Michael and Arthur, and one daughter, Sharon were born. She entered into eternal peace on Thursday, September 21, 2023 at her home surrounded by her children and grandchildren in Lake Mary, Florida.

Esmie was a loving and committed wife to her husband Zedekiah and dedicated mother, nurturer to her children. When she arrived to the United States, she attended training to become Certified Nurse Assistant and received her certification. She worked in hospitals and Nursing homes such as Blythedale Children's Hospital, Schnurmacher Center for Rehabilitation, and in Homes for individuals with disabilities. Around 1985 Zedekiah and Esmie decided she would become a Homemaker along with managing all their rental properties. Along with taking care of her family she loved shopping. She would often be the first one when stores like Macy's or Alexanders opened their doors to catch the doorbuster sales. After the retirement of her husband Zedekiah, they relocated with her Mother-in-law Rachel Thompson to enjoy the year-long wonderful weather in the sunshine state of Florida where they took annual cruises. Because of the importance of family, their daughter Sharon soon followed, and later their son Michael followed with his family. Zedekiah pre-deceased Esmie after 50 years of marriage on July 5, 2016.

Esmie leaves memories to be cherished by: adoring sons, Michael Grant (Lake Mary, FL) and Arthur Grant (White Plains, NY) and lovely daughter Sharon Grant-Robinson (Lake Mary, FL); her only living sibling, Etta Donaldson (Ft. Lauderdale, FL); Grandchildren: Robert, Jonathan, Kenneth, Jordan, Ishaq, Maurice, Kimberly, Amaya, Ashanti, Tafari, Deidre Anna, Clinton and A.J.; and a host of nieces, nephews, great grandchildren, family and friends. She is predeceased by her mother Zilotries Grant and father Charles Grant; son, Wesley Grant; and siblings: Kathleen, Sylvia, Lucilda, Loretta, Madge, Hubert "Boysie", Isaiah, George "Coolie", Joseph. Esmie will be laid to rest forever in the family plot with her husband Zedekiah, and alongside her mother and father-in-law Rachel and Arthur Thompson and her brother-in-law Mortimer Grant.

Esmie called "Esmine" by her loving husband and also known by her friends as "Essie", touched and made a difference in the lives of many people with her smile, generosity and compassion. Let us celebrate for this is not an ending, but this is the beginning of her new life with her husband Zedekiah. Death leaves a heartache that no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. You will always be in our thoughts and hearts for this is her birth into eternity until we meet again.



Order of Service

Opening PrayerMinister Rashaan Pace
Congregational Hymn..... “How Great Thou Art”
Scripture Reading:
John 14: 1-7..... Ms. Ashanti Craft
Solo Vocalist..... “This Is The Day” - Ms. Janell Williams
Psalm 118: 17-24Ms. Amaya Palmer, Ms. Deidre Anna
Solo Vocalist..... “It Is Well” - Ms. Janell Williams
Obituary – “In Loving Memory”Ms. Michelle Grant
Acknowledgement And Resolutions
Reflections And Remarks Mr. Arthur Grant, Ms. Sharon Grant
Poetry Reading..... Ms. Kimberly Robinson
“Little Bird Fly High” By Rachel Thompson
Prayer Of Comfort Elder Ransford Burnett
Eulogy Elder Ransford Burnett
Final Directive Lee’s Funeral Home
BenedictionMinister Rashaan Pace
Recessional “This Is The Day”

Interment

Ferncliff Cemetery
Hartsdale, New York

Repast

Immediately following the burial, at
Full Gospel Christian Fellowship Church



Little Bird, Fly High

by Rachel Thompson

*If I were a little bird I would fly so far and high,
I will sail above the bright white clouds and
through the ash ward skies.
I would be the first to see the sun up from the
ocean spring, as high above the tallest tree,
My morning song I would sing.
Above the hills I would watch so still far over to
the west and sing aloud my evening song before
I go to rest. And many lands I then should see
of hills and plains I cross, nor fear through all
the spotless skies that I should ever be lost.
To sunny southern land afar, how gladly would
I go and rest among the shady groves where
grape vines and olives grow. Now, if I climb
our highest hills how little can I see, oh, have I
but a pair of wings how happy I would be.*

Acknowledgements

The family of Esmie Cynthia Grant acknowledges with deep and sincere appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness, and sympathy shown at this difficult time during the bereavement of our loved one. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. May God bless you all.



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