

Pallbearers

Dunbar Basketball Team
(1989-1991)



Until We Meet Again

Each morning when we awake, we know that you are gone.

And no one knows the heartache, As we try to carry on.

Our hearts still ache with sadness and many tears still flow.

What it meant to lose you, No one will ever know.

Our thoughts are always with you, your place no one can fill.

In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still.

There will always be a heartache, and often a silent tear,

But always a precious memory, Of the days when you were here.

If tears could make a staircase, And heartaches make a lane,

We'd walk the path to heaven, And bring you home again.

We hold you close within our hearts, And there you will remain,

To walk with us throughout our lives, Until we meet again.

Our family chain is broken now,

And nothing will be the same, But as God calls us one by one,

The chain will link again.



Acknowledgements

The family of Brenda J. Roach wishes to express our sincerest thanks and appreciation for the outpouring of love and sympathy from everyone, especially those that helped make Brenda's home going celebration memorable.

Fellowship Immediately following the service
the family will welcome
family and friends At the Family Home

Mt. Sinai Baptist Church
1615 3rd Street, NW, Washington DC 2001

In Loving Memory

Brenda J. Roach

August 6, 1945

January 7, 2020



Thursday, January 23, 2020

MT. SINAI BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Tyrone Queen

Obituary

Brenda Juanita Givens-Roach was born on August 6, 1945 to John C. and Majorie W. Bell Givens-Ballard. Brenda was raised in Washington, D.C. in a loving family. She was the eldest of eight siblings including four brothers and three sisters. She was baptized as a Roman Catholic. She was educated at St. Augustine Catholic Church and DC Public Schools. Shortly after high school she married "the Love of her life" Albert Roach, Sr. who preceded her in death and from this union came four handsome sons and a beautiful daughter. Brenda, a lifelong learner and advocate for many, departed peacefully on January 9, 2020 at the age of 74.

Brenda embarked on various careers throughout her life, Accountant for Redevelopment Land Agency, Bus Operator for Metro, DCPS and Seabury Transportation, Salon Manager for Glimpies (Woodies), as well as Sears & Roebuck. She enjoyed helping others, advocating for her community, and assisted with various ministries within, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church. Brenda was the pillar of her community and loved by all. As a devoted church member, She participated in the praise and worship team, transportation, and family guild ministries. Brenda loved driving, and traveling to various places. Her passion was spending time with family and friends, creating arts and crafts, having social gatherings, doing hair, having crab feasts, and enjoyed good conversation. Her biggest passion was music.

Brenda was a woman of vast faith. Her determination to achieve and be successful did not allow her to take no mess. She showed her love in various ways. Brenda had an affectionate smile, unique laughter, great sense of humor, spectacular strength, immeasurable courage, broad wisdom and exceptional leadership qualities. She was very outgoing, adventurous and extraordinary. She was known for saying "Hmm, Jo" and "Bump That" and once you heard these sayings, you knew exactly what she meant.

She leaves to cherish her memories one daughter Marjorie Givens-Simmons, four sons Albert Jr. (preceeded in death), Paul, Robert, Romeo; eight granddaughters: Lakesha, Tamia, Sheena, Frentress, Ryan, Diamond, Jessica, Austin; one grandson Romeo; eight great-grandchildren: William, April, Darrell, Jonae, Zenora, Tionne, Taliyah, and Ta'Lynn; two brothers Cedric and Steve Givens; siblings that preceded her in death John, Lolitha, Dollean, Thelma, and Anthony; nine nieces and ten nephews; many adopted sons and one special adopted daughter Deborah Lovelace.

Order of Service

Officiating

Rev. David McIntosh-Peters
Pastor, Salem Baptist Church

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

God's Inchanging Hands

Scripture Reading

Old Testament & New Testament

Deaconess Jacqueline Nelson, MSBC
& Anthony Williams

Prayer of Comfort

Sis. Antoinette Dedmon, MSBC

Selection

Sis. Yvonne Savage, MSBC

Acknowledgements

Sis. Regina McDonald, MSBC

Words of Encouragements

Deacon James Nelson, MSBC

Reflections

(2 mins)

Reading of the Obituary

(Read Silently)

Musical Selection

Clifton Jones

Eulogy

Rev. Tyrone Queen, Pastor

Musical Selection

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

(Be Encourage)

