

### Acknowledgements

The family of Rosalei Mazobere wishes to extend our sincere thanks and deepest appreciation to each of you. For all your many acts of kindness, comforting words and many prayers during our time of bereavement. Your presence here today is a source of great comfort and strength to us and will be remembered and cherished. May God continue to bless you abundantly.



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#### A Celebration of the Life of

# Rosalei N. Mazobere November 25, 1928 October 9, 2021



Friday October 15, 2021 11 AM DAVIS FUNERAL HOME 654 CUMMINS HIGHWAY MATTAPAN, MASSACHUSETTS

PASTOR HENRY SCHOENFIELD, OFFICIATING

# Life Reflections



A osalie Nkazana (Buka) Mazobere, born on November 25, 1928, died on October 9, 2021. She was born in Nyele, Plumtree Zimbabwe to Mazwi and Manungwa Buka (Nleya). She was the second born in a family of 3 sisters and one brother who have passed away. She was married to the late Rev. Crispen Mazobere and had one child; the late Timothy Mazobere. She leaves behind three grandchildren: Roseann, Thembani, and Bokani. She is also survived by two great-grandchildren: Mary and Christopher Mazobere and a host of other relatives.

Rosalie went to Nyele primary school in Plumtree before proceeding to Tyger Kloof in South Africa, where she completed her teacher's training. She married the late Rev. Crispin Christopher Mazobere in 1951. They were blessed with one child, the late Timothy Sihambile Mazobere, in 1952.

Rosalie moved to the United Kingdom before moving on to the United States, where she attended Harvard University and Boston College, obtaining a bachelor's and master's degree, respectively. They lived in Boston, Massachusetts, where her husband, Crispen Mazobere, was a minister at the St. Marks Methodist Church until Zimbabwe's independence when they returned home.

She worked as a social welfare officer for many years in Bulawayo until her return to the United States in 2003 to be with her only son and grandchildren.

Rosalie was a powerful and independent woman who always did what she pleased and never accepted influence from anyone unless that influence coincided with her desires. This trait made her very influential amongst her relatives and friends alike, explaining why she never minced words. She would give anyone tough love.

She and her husband spent many years supporting the struggle for independence in Zimbabwe by donating to the cause. Her home became a haven for Zimbabweans in America suffering from the ramifications of political injustice in Zimbabwe.

Rosalie spent the latter years of her life in a loving community in Lowell, Massachusetts. Her death has robbed relatives and friends of an incredible soul. Today, Rosalie is at peace in the presence of her relatives, husband, son, and above all, the Lord in heaven.

## Order of Service

WELCOMING Pastor Henry

WORDS OF WELCOME Norman Khumalo

OPENING PRAYER Pastor Henry Schoenfield

SCRIPTURE READING ECCLESIASTES 3 1 THESSALONIANS 4:14-17

READING OF OBITUARY Knollen Nleya

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

FRIENDS Phil Noyce

Patricia Hiort & Judy Burke

Kaba Jangu Ernest Simela

FAMILY Bradley Nleya
Bokani Mazobere
Veronica Mmipi (Virtual Botswana)
Graham Nleya

**EULOGY Portia Nleya** 

COMMITTAL PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Interment

St. Michael Cemetery 500 Canterbury Street Boston, MA

Repast

60 Hastings Street Lowell, MA