

I have fought the good fight...
I have finished the race...
2 Timothy 4:7

Acknowledgements

WE, THE FAMILY OF YVOONNE C. JACKSON-ALSTON WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR YOUR ACT OF KINDNESS SHOWN DURING OUR TIME OF BEREAVEMENT. WHATEVER PART YOU PLAYED, WHETHER YOU SAID A PRAYER, DONATED FOOD, GAVE A CARD, OR JUST STOPPED BY TO SHOW CONCERN, WE THANK YOU SO MUCH. MAY GOD RICHLY BLESS EACH OF YOU.

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Arrival

SEPTEMBER 30, 1938

Letters to Yvonne

If Roses Grow in Heaven

*If roses grow in heaven Lord please pick a bunch for me place them in my mother's arms and tell her they're from me.
Tell her I love her and miss her and when she turns to smile place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy I will each and everyday but there's an ache within my heart that will never go away.*

**Forever in my heart,
Your Loving daughter Yvette**

I live because of your yes. You said yes to me being born and you've loved me ever since. We've been rocking for 50 years, and I can't remember a time you've told me no. You helped raise me, my children and my children's children. You instilled in me to call on the Lord in my times of need. I'll carry that message to get me through this trying time. I'm going to miss you tremendously, but I know you're in heaven watching over me as you did on earth. I believe I've made you proud and pray I continue to do so. You're job here is done and now it's up to us. I'll be sure to take care of your 2 nd favorite person, NicoleRai, and your boy, Jahmir. Rest peacefully Grandma...

**Love always,
Your favorite person in the world - Nikki**

To Mama/Grandma.

*We love you so much. Rest in the Lord. For your bed has been prepared, your body has been healed, and your soul has been laid to rest in Jesus. We vow to be the soldiers God allowed you to birth. We will be the light you've shown throughout the land you were fortunate enough to roam. The Lord was your Shepard, and you lacked nothing. We will stand true to God as humble as we know how. We will endure in peace. We will love and forgive until our days are no more. For God you lived, and for God you perished.
We love you! We are selfless enough to agree collectively to let you go, giving you back to your eternal Father.
Romans. 8:1 Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
Rest on! We are forever grateful. Our lives will never be the same.*

**We'll love you ALWAYS!
The J & A Family.**



Departure

JANUARY 19, 2023



CELEBRATING THE LIFE & LEGACY OF

Jerome

C. JACKSON-ALSTON

SEPTEMBER 30, 1938 - JANUARY 19, 2023

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023

11:00 AM

FIRST TIMOTHY BAPTIST CHURCH
215 CHANCELLOR AVE., NEWARK, NJ

PASTOR ANDRE L. COFFEE, OFFICIATING
MIN. TAWANA WILLIAMS, PRESIDING

Yvonne

THE STORY OF
C. JACKSON-ALSTON
SEPTEMBER 30, 1938 - JANUARY 19, 2023



On September 30, 1938, God blessed the late Sylvia Cox-Mayo with a beautiful baby girl, and she named her Yvonne Cecile Avery.

Yvonne was born in Elizabeth, NJ and spent her early years in Norfolk, Virginia. She returned to New Jersey and was educated in the Newark Public School System, graduating in 1956 from Newark's South Side High School. She worked in many occupations and settled upon working in an office environment. After many years of service, she retired from Chubb Casualty Insurance Company as an insurance underwriter. Yvonne worked on mastering a design program on her computer. She was a wiz at designing and making programs, obituaries, or anything else people requested from her. Days after a funeral, she may be found at home making obituaries for those that did not get one.

Yvonne was a powerhouse of a woman. She knew her help and strength came from the Lord and jointed First Timothy Missionary Baptist church under the leadership of the late Rev. David Lee. She was a faithful member and moved with the church from Belmont Avenue to its current home on Chancellor Avenue and remained under the leadership of its current Pastor, Rev. Andre L. Coffee. Throughout the years Yvonne wore many hats in the church. She was a member of the nurses' ministry, the senior choir, mass choir, senior saints dance ministry and the church's secretary.

Yvonne was affectionately known to many as MaMa, Ms. Queenie, or Miss Yvonne. She loved her family, and they adored her. All her children and grandchildren were her favorite. She had a spirit of giving and was known for her kind, generous heart and always had a smile to offer. She had no respect of person and would love the richest to the poorest person she met. She remembered and called everyone by their name. She was full of life and love, a real living social butterfly. No one was a stranger; she welcomed everyone into her life and family and made them feel loved.

On January 19, 2023, God decided his good and faithful servant had completed her earthly assignment. Yvonne put on her heavenly crown and robe and made it over to claim her mansion in her father's house. Yvonne was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Alston Sr., her parents, Noel and Sylvia Mayo, her daughter, Shunda Parker, her siblings, Jane Fleming and Faye Fedd. She leaves to cherish her beloved memories, her children, Yvonne Jackson, Yvette Jackson, David "Dawud" Jackson Jr., Charles "Sadaat" Alston Jr., Sabrina & Sahib Peterson; her siblings, Mary Kelly, Jewel Griner, Niles & Barbara Mayo; 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren and a host of God- children, nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Sleep on Vonnie and take your rest, we love and will miss you dearly, but God has always loved you best.

Order OF SERVICE

Prelude.....	Pianist & Sr. Choir
Processional.....	Pastor, Clergy, Family & Friends
Presiding.....	Min. Tawana Williams
Old Testament.....	Min. Melissa Knight
New Testament.....	Min. Melissa Knight
Prayer of Comfort.....	Bishop Barbara Glanton
Musical Selection.....	Elder Shaunda Owens
Acknowledgements, Cards & Condolences	
Reflections.....	2 Minutes Limit Please
Obituary Reading.....	Nicole Rai Bogan
Musical Selection.....	Sis. Jackie Sharpe
Eulogy.....	Pastor Andre L. Coffee
Final Viewing/Musical Selection.....	Senior/Mass Choir
Not Goodbye, Just Until Next Time (Closing of the Casket).....	Nicole Jackson & Latrice Alston
Closing Prayer.....	Bishop Barbara Glanton

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