



Bernice V. Thornton

April 1, 1925 - July 24, 2006

Bernice Virginia Hollie Thornton, daughter of the late Reginald and Mabel Hollie, was born on April 1, 1925. She quietly departed this earth to be with her Savior on Tuesday, July 25, 2006. Bernice attended St. Catherine's Academy, now known as St. Pius School, where she graduated. Bernice moved to East Baltimore in 1950 and joined St. Ann's Church. Soon after, she met her soul mate, Jimmie Lee Thornton. They were married at St. Ann's and became the proud parents of nine children. She was preceded in death by two of her children, Donald and Pamela. In 1970, she lost her husband to a kidney disease and was left to raise her children on her own with the help of her sister, Pauline Lewis. Everyone she met felt she was a trusted friend and called her Momma, or Ms. Bernice. If someone needed a place to stay, she provided it. If someone needed something to eat she fed them. If someone needed money, she gave them her last dollar. She always gave all that she had, and never asked for anything for herself. When she was sick she never complained, and would work hard to shield her pain and concerns from her children. Her family will always remember their Momma as the cornerstone of the family. She was the person everyone from the neighborhood would check in with because she would listen without judging and would only give advice as a gentle suggestion. She was in the kitchen, preparing with love, the food her family desired. She always planned trips to Atlantic City to have fun with her sister, and all of their friends. She was on the phone to all she couldn't visit. And she was known for her tasty spaghetti and pineapple upside down

cake and you would always find a big chocolate cake on her kitchen table. Bernice leaves to cherish her memory: her sister Pauline Lewis; step-father, Herbert Clark; children, Brenda Royster, Joyce, Carolyn, Michael, Sharon, Kevin, and Paulette Thornton; grandchildren, Darlene Buchanan, Donald Anthony Speaks, Jr., Karen Royster, Vernita Franklin, Charlita Valentine, Stephanie Thornton, Dana Thornton, and Alvin Wells; great grandchildren, Antonio Wilkens, Kareem Proctor, Kieria Franklin, Reginald Drummond, Moses Buchanan, Bradford Buchanan, Lola Buchanan, Shanika Thornton, Rayshawn Campbell, Dana Thornton, Jr., Raheem Campbell, Michael Daniels, Spencer Sumler, Koneisha Robinson, Shalom Thornton, Cynthia Wells, Mickel Daniels, Jaylen Wells, Danean Hickman, Donald Anthony Speaks, III, Karin Daniels, D'Angelo Speaks, Karon Daniels, Mercedes Fernandez, John Johnson, Dashawn Thornton, Albany Wells; great great grandchildren, Antonio Wilkens, Jr., Quinija Wilkens, Ariella Wilkens, Jr., Erin Wilkens, and Mekhi Franklin; a niece, Michelle Thomas-Taylor and a host of cousins and friends.

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“ *Bernice V. Thornton*

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“ *God blessed me with the greatest grandmother that I have ever known. I miss my grandmother. She loved me unconditionally.##imported-begin##Granddaughter/Darlene##imported-end##*

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“ *To the family, As each day goes by, the pain may subside, but the loss never leaves your heart and mind. May you find comfort from the promises found in God's Word, the Bible at Acts 24:15 and John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##sorry2 hear##imported-end##*

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ To the family, I offer my sincere sympathy. May you find comfort now and in the days to come from "the Father of tender mercies who comforts us in all our tribulation." 2 Corinthians 1:3,4.##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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“ *The little time that I had known you, you will always be in my heart love you.*###imported-begin###Geraldine Mickle###imported-end##

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“ *I loved you and will always remember your beautiful smile and the times that we spent together.*###imported-begin###Diane###imported-end##

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“ *to the family: peace patience and prayers in your days ahead dont dwell on the past and remember to always move on*###imported-begin###Deborah###imported-end##

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“ *To Brenda and Family Your mom decided to move to her new home located at 12 Gates To The City Avenue, Godstown, Heaven 77777. There is peace, joy and happiness there. You are in my prayers. May God continue to comfort you. Jackie*###imported-begin###Jackie Wallace###imported-end##

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