



I'M FREE

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call*

*I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

CELEBRATING

THE LIFE OF

"Jackie"

JACQUELINE J. Byrd

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We the family would like to express our profound thanks for all acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. Your cards, phone calls, and visits and most certainly your prayers were an enormous source of strength and comfort. May God keep and richly bless each of you is our prayer.

ENTOMBMENT

Monday, July 22, 2024 | 12 Noon

Lakeview Memorial Park | Cinnaminson, New Jersey

Immediately following the services, please join the family for repast at 77 Academy Street, Newark, NJ 07102



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JUNE 7, 1956 | JULY 3, 2024

SATURDAY JUNE 20, 2024 | 12 NOON
Welcome Baptist Church
234 12th Avenue | Newark, New Jersey 07107

Bishop Elijah L. Williams, Jr.,
Gracious Host Pastor



JACQUELINE JOANN BYRD

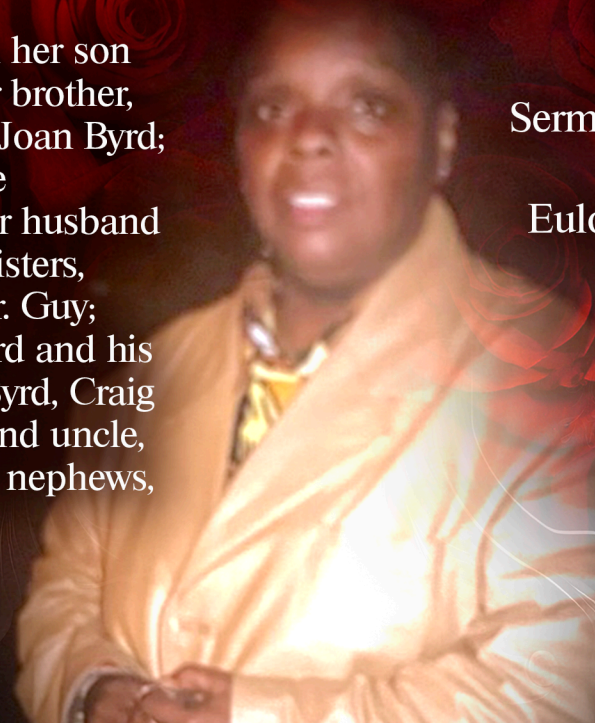
JACQUELINE JOANN BYRD, affectionately known by family and friends as Jackie, was born on June 7, 1956, in the historic, Newark, New Jersey to Joan A. Byrd and the late Bobbie Eugene Byrd. She was the second oldest of eight children and attended Charlton Elementary School and graduated from Barringer High School, where she was the Barringer Blue Bear Mascot. The Byrd family was raised on Prince Street before relocating to 9th Avenue in Newark.

Jackie held various jobs, Newark Preschool, Ramapo College, and lastly, Marcella Nursing Home, where she was injured and retired early. Jackie knew and loved the Lord and was baptized at an early age at New Point Baptist church and later became a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Burlington, New Jersey.

Jackie was full of life; a true “house music” lover, as well as a phenomenal dancer and always the life of the party. She frequented summer house music concerts and festivals. Jackie was known for being outspoken, yet she was soft-hearted and would give you the shirt off her back. Jackie loved fashion and always matched from head to toe. She had an innate love for her family and would on out their name all day long, and when they would answer, she would say, “I just love to hear your voice”.

On September 26, 1970, Jackie welcomed her only son Tremaine Sun-Ra Byrd, whom she loved and cherished.

Jackie gained her wings on July 3, 2024. She will join her son Tremaine S. Byrd; her father, Bobbie E. Byrd and her brother, Derrick Byrd. Jackie is survived by her loving mother, Joan Byrd; daughter in-law, Anetra Byrd; grandchildren, Tremaine Germany-Byrd, Tifani Byrd, and April Soriano and her husband Jason; great grandchildren, Jaida, Jordan, and Jace; sisters, Donna Byrd and Ruth Robinson and her husband Dr. Guy; brothers, Bobby Byrd and his wife Mittie, Michael Byrd and his wife Spring, Anthony Byrd and his wife Gwen, Paris Byrd, Craig “Blunt” Jones and Thomas Collier; aunt, Jean Byrd and uncle, Roscoe Byrd. She also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude

Invocation / Bishop Elijah L. Williams, Jr.

Hymn of Consolation / Sir Joshua Nelson

Scripture Readings / Kim Byrd

Old Testament: Psalm 46:1-5

New Testament: Matthew 11:28-30

Solo / Psalmist Silky Carter

Prayer of Comfort / Denise Singletary

Reflections and Remarks

Family Expressions / Anthony Byrd

Solo / Psalmist Silky Carter

Obituary Reading / Kim Byrd

Sermonic Selection / Sir Joshua Nelson

Eulogy / Bishop Elijah L. Williams, Jr.

Committal / Benediction

Recessional