

REMEMBER ME

SPEAK OF ME AS YOU HAVE ALWAYS DONE.
REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES, LAUGHTER, AND FUN.

SHARE THE HAPPY MEMORIES WE'VE MADE.
DO NOT LET THEM WITHER OR FADE.

I'LL BE WITH YOU IN THE SUMMER'S SUN
AND WHEN THE WINTER'S CHILL HAS COME.

I'LL BE THE VOICE THAT WHISPERS IN THE BREEZE.
I'M PEACEFUL NOW, PUT YOUR MIND AT EASE.

I'VE RESTED MY EYES AND GONE TO SLEEP,
BUT MEMORIES WE'VE SHARED ARE YOURS TO KEEP.

SOMETIMES OUR FINAL DAYS MAY BE A TEST,
BUT REMEMBER ME WHEN I WAS AT MY BEST.

ALTHOUGH THINGS MAY NOT BE THE SAME,
DON'T BE AFRAID TO USE MY NAME.

LET YOUR SORROW LAST FOR JUST A WHILE.
COMFORT EACH OTHER AND TRY TO SMILE.

I'VE LIVED A LIFE FILLED WITH JOY AND FUN.
LIVE ON NOW, MAKE ME PROUD OF WHAT YOU'LL BECOME.

-ANTHONY DOWSON



The family of the late
SARAH JUANITA BERNARD

would like to sincerely thank all of you for your love, condolences
and expressions of sympathy extended to our family at this time.
May God continue to bless each of you always.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

LEE'S FUNERAL HOME
160 FISHER AVENUE
WHITE PLAINS, NY 10601



In Loving Memory of

SARAH JUANITA BERNARD

September 25, 1938 - April 8, 2025

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 ~ 11:00 am

*Bethel Baptist Church
1 Fisher Court
White Plains, NY 10601
Dr. Edward O. Williamson, Officiating*

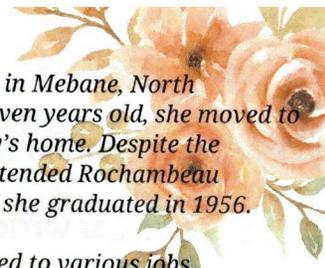
ORDER OF SERVICE

Officiating	DR. EDWARD O. WILLIAMSON, PASTOR
Prelude	DR. FROZINE REECE-SMITH
Opening Hymn	WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN
Scripture Readings	OLD TESTAMENT: PSALM 23 NEW TESTAMENT: JOHN 13:1-8
Prayer of Comfort	PULPIT
Musical Selection	DR. FROZINE REECE-SMITH
Reflections & Tributes	FAMILY & FRIENDS (2 MINUTES PLEASE)
Acknowledgements	CHURCH CLERK
Musical Selection	DR. FROZINE REECE-SMITH
Eulogy	DR. EDWARD O. WILLIAMSON, PASTOR
Benediction & Recessional	



OBITUARY

Sarah Juanita Bernard was born on September 25, 1938, in Mebane, North Carolina, to John McAdams and Millie Wilson. At just seven years old, she moved to White Plains, New York, after a fire destroyed her family's home. Despite the hardship, she carried on with strength and grace. She attended Rochambeau School, Battle Hill, and White Plains High School, where she graduated in 1956.



Sarah had a strong work ethic and spent her life dedicated to various jobs, including at the Cheerful Card Company, Lamston 5 & 10, WARC, First Union Bank, and the New York State DMV. But her greatest dedication was to her faith and her family.

On Easter Sunday, April 26, 1951, Sarah became a member of Bethel Baptist Church, where she remained a lifelong servant of God. She was part of several choirs, usher boards, and was a devoted Sunday School teacher. She studied the Word of God every morning and night, and her faith never wavered—even during the pandemic, when she continued attending services through phone and video calls. She gave generously to the church and insisted on donating all of her late son's clothing, although the loss was deeply painful, giving was part of who she was.

Sarah was funny, strong, kind and full of so much grace. Daily she would read scripture, and chat with her sister, Frances. She loved spending time with her grandchildren, especially having sleepovers in the summer with her granddaughter, Jacdelyn. They would watch TV, talk late into the night, and enjoy their go-to order of wonton soup, pork dumplings, and fried chicken.

She had a deep love for family, always calling to check in and never missing a birthday or special moment—often sending heartfelt handwritten cards in her favorite color, purple.

She created beautiful memories with her family—from planting strawberries in her backyard and taking her grandkids to the pool, to surprising them with Disney on Ice tickets. Her legacy lives on through the love and laughter she shared so freely.

Sarah was married (twice) to Jonathan David Bernard Sr., and together they had two sons: Jacques Yves McAdams and Joel Demetrius Bernard whom preceded her death. She leaves behind her sister and best friend Francis Wilkson, four grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild, all of whom will forever cherish her love, guidance, and unwavering faith.

Invited family & friends are asked to share in the repast following the service in the Christine Mitchell Fellowship Hall

