Acknowledgement

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To our family, friends and loved ones both near and far we sincerely appreciate your prayers, words of comfort, and show of love and support during this difficult time. We ask that you continue to keep us in your prayers as we navigate the process of grieving for the loss of our Dear Edris.

God bless you.

Pallbearers

James Fenton, Sr. James Fenton Jr.
Kadmiel Fenton, II Niki Roach
Shawn White Sedric White

Interment

Oak Lawn Cemetery Roslindale, MA

Arrangements

Riley – Antoine Funeral Home 171 Humboldt Avenue Roxbury, MA Office 617-427-5625

HOMEGOING SERVICE for Edris R. Fenton



November 14, 1951 - June 30, 2021

Celebration of Life

Friday July 9, 2021 Viewing ~ 10:00 Am Service ~11:00 Am

Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church 100 Esmond Street Dorchester, MA Dr. Gwendolyn G. Weeks, Pastor

No Tears in Heaven

There are no tears in Heaven nor grief of any kind,
I leave this final teardrop to those I've left behind.
Though absent from the body, I'm present with the Lord.
The joy of my salvation is now my full reward.
And just as God has promised, He's wiped my tears away,
And nothing can compare to the wonder of that day.
So, keep me in your memory and know that up above
There are no tears in Heaven, instead there's only love.



Dear Mommy, anyone who first met you, was convinced that you were super serious and incredibly quiet. Once they got to know you, they realized that you were super silly but still incredibly quiet. Life is going to be so different without you here. We are glad that you are no longer uncomfortable and that you can breathe easily with the Lord. Please give Mama, Granny, and our big Sister a kiss for us.

Love you so much, James and Jacquin

ORDER OF SERVICE



Mistress of Ceremony Dr. Hilary White

Organ Prelude Adam Littlejohn

Processional

Invocation Dr. Gwendolyn Weeks, Pastor

Congregational Hymn How Great Thou Art

Scripture Reading

O. T. - Ecclesiastes 39:1-4 Kadmiel Fenton, Sr

N. T. - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Evangeline Fenton

Congregational Hymn It Is Well

Reflections Dr. Gwendolyn G. Weeks

Juel Weeks Marsha White

Adele

Congregational Hymn When The Roll Is Called

Up Yonder

Obituary Bernice Fenton

Acknowledgements Deacon James Fenton

Eulogy Elder David White

OBITUARY

Edris Rosetta Fenton Edris Rosetta Fenton was a wonderful lady whose life has touched the hearts of many. Her life was compatible to a rose whose fragrance has brought joy and gladness to her family, friends, associates and co workers. R.W. Longfellow said, "Lives of great men all remind us we can make our lives sublime and departing leave behind us footprints on the sands of time". Edris has left behind her many commendable footprints which we should emulate. Although we are saddened at her passing, let us celebrate and adopt the outstanding features of her life which is a legacy to be preserved. Edris was born in Montserrat in the year 1951. She was the first child of Jane Ann Daly, and also the first grandchild of her matriarch (Mama) Mabel Barzey. For Mama, she was a little princess, and she was treated as such. Her mother left her at the tender age of 3 and migrated to London to work so that they all would enjoy a better and happier life in Montserrat from the funds which she sent home. In the meantime, Edris and Mama developed an unbreakable bond of love and fellowship. She was a happy child, brought up in the fear of the Lord and taught to love the Lord. She was also taught to love and respect others, to be gentle, kind and caring.

When she was 7 years old, her mother sent her the most beautiful present from London. Can you guess what it was? Her sister, Bernice. Mama now had another princess, they lived and loved and praised God together. Her education was of paramount importance to Mama. Edris attended the Cavalla Hill Primary School where she excelled academically. Edris was able to pass the Common Entrance examination which qualified her to obtain entrance to the Secondary School. At age 16, she migrated to London to join her loving mother. In 1971, Edris, her Mother and Sister joined their grandmother (Mama) in Boston which became her new home. Because of her intelligence and training, she was able to acquire a job at the State Street Bank in Quincy and was later transferred to Boston, where she worked until she retired.

Life for her was enjoyable, but the happiest time of her life was yet to come. In the year 1974, she gave her hand in marriage to James Alfred Fenton. The marriage was blessed in heaven, it was fruitful, producing two children, James and Jacquin. It reigned until June 30, 2021. What did she bring to the table? True love. What did James bring? True Love. You can learn more about this type of love in 1Corinthians 13.

Lady Edris will be remembered for the Christian values which she learned from Mama and the Pentecostal Church in Cudjoe Head, Montserrat and the Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church in Boston. These were evident in her heart and displayed in her everyday life. Christianity was more than going to church, it was imitation of the life of Christ. It begins by showing love for God and for family, your friends and neighbours. We admired her friendliness, warmth, unfailing generosity, her devotion to God as well as her desire for peace and unity with family and friends, the calm and easy manner in which she gave up her rights and tendency to forgive those who hurt her. Edris really did not speak much, but she listened attentively to others when they spoke. She was slow to anger and extremely helpful and kind to the needy.

Calmly and quietly, Edris has departed this life. Her death has left an aching void which is difficult to fill. However, we are heartened by the fact that some day we will all be reunited on the pearly streets of heaven where our Saviour is waiting to welcome us.

Left to celebrate her life are: - her husband, James, her son, James Jr., her daughter, Jacquin, her sister, Bernice (Kadmiel), her nephew, Kadmiel II and his family. Her siblings Margaret, James, Sharon, and Mary and their families all in London. Great grand Aunt, Gwen in Boston. Sister-in-law Noella in London, brother-in-law John in Canada, stepmother-in-law Ann in Canada and many nephews and nieces in Canada and London. A host of extended family, cousins, and friends all over the world too numerous to mention.

May her soul rest in eternal peace and rise in glory.

 $13\,If\,I\,speak$ in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, $I\,am$ a noisy gong or a

clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I

have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. 7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. 12 For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

13 So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13