



## Do Not Stand

**Do not stand at my grave and weep  
I am not there; I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow,  
I am the diamond glints on snow,  
I am the sun on ripened grain,  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the morning's hush  
I am the swift uplifting rush  
Of quiet birds in circled flight.  
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, love and play.  
Tasks I left undone must stay that way,  
I found that place at the close of the day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
then fill it with remembered joy.  
a friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;  
fore 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 to 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.**



## Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones.  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy  
and beauty in the everlasting light.  
All the pain and grief is over  
Every restless tossing passed; I  
Am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in heaven at last.  
There is work still waiting for  
You, so you must not idly  
Stand, do it now, while life  
Remainith- You shall rest in  
God's own land. When that  
Work is all completed, he will  
Gently call you home;  
Oh the rapture of that meeting  
Oh, the joy to see you come!

## Acknowledgments

We wish to express gratitude for the many acts of kindness rendered by all. We gratefully acknowledge your cards, calls, concern, support, visits, gifts and especially your prayers. We ask for your continued prayers and it is our prayer that God will bless each one of you.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Family



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# Homegoing Celebration For Marguerite Bush

**Sunrise**  
**November 11th, 1923**

**Sunset**  
**March 28th, 2007**



**"Babe"**

*Tuesday, April 3rd, 2007 11am*  
**Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church**

83 Elizabeth Avenue - Newark, NJ

**Rev. E.T. Byrd, Pastor**  
**Rev. Clifford Brower**

*Eulogist*

"Behold; I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come into him, and will sup with him, and he with me." Revelations: 3:20

## Obituary

Marguerite "Babe" Bush was born November 11, 1923, the youngest of ten children, to the late Gloria Corrine Hamm & Anthony Bud Stafford in Newark, NJ. She was united in marriage to the late Johnnie Frank Bush on November 21, 1948 and from this union they had five offspring.

She accepted Christ at the Trinity Union Methodist Church, and continued her walk with Christ at the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church. She faithfully attended the 7:45 AM services and enjoyed bowling in her twilight years as a member of the Fellowship Bowling team along with her two daughters.

Marguerite received her formal education in the Newark Public School System, and graduated from Jersey City State College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education. Her career as an educator began at the Belmont Runyon Elementary School. After just one year as a teacher, she became Director of the Clinton Hill Branch, YMWCA Preschool Program. After 20 successful years of operations, she fulfilled her lifelong dream and desire to establish her own educational program. In January, 1992 she along with her children, founded the Clinton Hill Community & Early Childhood Center, Inc. located at 420 Hawthorne Ave. in the Southward of the City of Newark.

Marguerite has devoted her life to the development of young minds; she was a community activist who served in many capacities in various grass root organizations. Because of her dedication she has received several citations and awards-the Keys to the City of Newark; a multitude of resolutions from the Municipal Council; an award from Newark Literacy Campaign; a community service award; served on the Executive Board of the Newark Branch NAACP; past President of the Hawthorne Avenue School PTA; and member of the Clinton Hill Weed and Seed Program.

Preceded in death by her husband Johnnie Frank and her youngest child Dawn Ivette Bush, Marguerite leaves behind to celebrate her memory, four children: Cheryl D. Bush, Andrea L. McKinnon, Keith T. Bush, and Desiree Y. Brower; two sons-in-law, Larry McKinnon and Rev. Clifford Brower; one daughter-in-law, Shelba J. Bush; four grandchildren, Rahveyei N. McKinnon, Tyree Brower, DeNiqua M. Matias, and Anthony K. Bush; one grandson-in-law, Christopher Matias; three great-grandchildren, Christine Alexis Matias, Seraiah D'Jenne McKinnon, and Cameron Dean Matias; one sister, Eleanor Marsh; two sisters-in-law, Eleanor Stafford and Deothia Stafford, a host of nieces, nephews, and her extended family, the Clinton Hill Community & Early Childhood Center staff, parents, and children.

Marguerite departed this life on March 28, 2007, and joined her husband, baby girl and three sisters and five brothers in her new heavenly home. She will be sorely missed by all those lives she touched young and old.



## Order of Service

Processional..... Clergy & Family

Opening Hymn..... "Precious Lord"

Scripture Readings..... Rev. Tyrone Singletary  
*Old Testament*

Rev. Brian Evans  
*New Testament*

Prayer of Comfort..... Rev. Dr. Elton T. Byrd

Selection..... Choir

Resolutions/Acknowledgements/Obituary..... Alicia Cox

Selection..... Choir

Remarks (3 Minutes Please)... Deacon Clayton Wade,  
Chairman of Sick Committee  
Harold R. Edwards, Sr.  
Chairman, Board of  
Directors, CHCECC, Inc.

Solo..... Sis. Corliss Stafford

Eulogy..... Rev. Clifford Brower

Recessional.....

Internment..... Rosehill Cemetery,  
Linden, New Jersey

Arrangements By:  
Plinton Curry Funeral Home, Inc.  
Westfield, New Jersey

Friends are invited to join the Family for a repast following the interment,  
in the Fellowship Hall, Deacon George T. Clark Family Life Center