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Homegoing Celebration of Life

For

Brenda Belinda Bell-Smith
May 10, 1963 - October 21, 2024

Connect Church Royal Plam

10701 Okeechobee Blvd
Royal Palm Beach
1:00 PM

Saturday, November 16, 2024

Rev. Dr. Michael S. Bell
Officiating Minister
A.M.E. Zion Church Presiding Elder
Celebration Worship Service

Prelude and Visitation

Hymn..... *Amazing Grace*

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Psalm 23 *Christopher Plummer (Brother)*

New Testament John 14:1-6 *Veronica A. Bell (Sister-in-Law)*

The Obituary *Satoria Smith & Natecia Smith.....Daughters*
Prayer of Comfort..... *Christopher Plummer (Brother)*

Selection*Janet Plummer & Kimberly Plummer*
(Sister-in-law & Niece)

Remarks

Janet Plummer.....*Sister-in-law*

Sean Martin..... *Friend*

Silvia Stradi *Friend & Former Boss*

Jovanna Bell-Parkhouse & Rahshawn Martin.....*Niece & Nephew*

Acknowledgments and Thanks

Instrumental Music.....*Chariots of Fire*

Solo and Eulogy*Rev. Dr. Michael S. Bell (Brother)*

Benediction.....*Rev. Dr. Michael S. Bell*

Closing.....*Satoria Smith & Natecia Smith*



Obituary

Brenda Bell-Smith was born in the land of wood and water (Jamaica) in the Duncans-Trelawney to parents Armaleta Algara Scarlett-Bell and Egbert Louis Bell on May 10, 1963. She spent her early years in Jamaica and the Bahamas. After moving to Florida, she obtained a Practical Nursing degree from Northwest Vocational and Technical Center, an Associate of Science in Nursing from Broward Community College, a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration from Barry University, and a Master of Science in Nursing & informatics from the University of Phoenix. The beautiful, wonderful, sometimes stubborn, and sassy Brenda Bell-Smith passed away on October 21, 2024, in Hiram, Georgia. She was affectionately known to her immediate family as Fuzzy, TMZ, Missy Miss, Angry Bird, and St. James. She was an incredible nurse, boss, mom, spouse, aunt, sister, friend, cook, family news reporter, and much more. She has positively touched the lives of so many people. She may never have known her impact, but she never lived her life or worked for affirmation. Her family, friends, colleagues, and patients will miss her greatly.

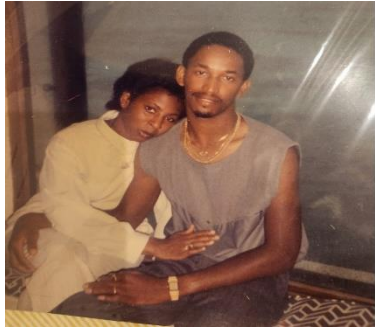
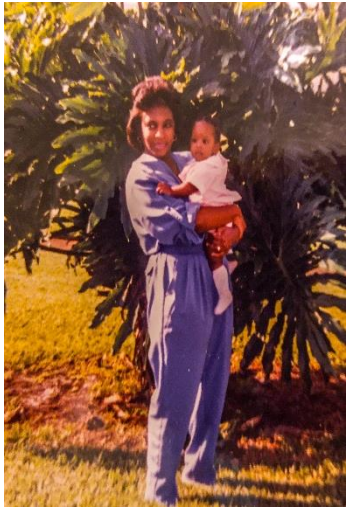
She fought metastasized pancreatic cancer for almost 7 years. She, overall, beat the odds for pancreatic cancer patients. She always tried to smile and stay positive during her most demanding times. Due to her passion for medicine and serving others, she participated in trials to help cancer patients with the Moffitt Cancer Research Center and her local oncology team. Brenda's tenacity, journey, and desire to continue making a positive impact led her to be selected for a Tampa News pancreatic cancer spotlight in 2023 in partnership with the Moffitt Cancer Research Center. She shared her unique perspective as a black Caribbean woman on a multi-year cancer journey and guided actions providers can take to support patients better.

In addition to this, she participated in cancer walks and fundraisers when she could. Before she was diagnosed with cancer, she advocated for all nurses to specialize in oncology to provide better care for cancer patients. She began her career as a CNA. She became a Registered Nurse, Nursing Supervisor, and Director of Nursing at Palms West Hospital. She left her career nearly a year after her diagnosis. She was a member of the Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society. In addition, she was recognized and

honored as one of the few female nurses of color and of an immigrant background to hold a leadership position at HCA East Division. She continued to train and learn everything possible about medicine and healthcare. She believed firmly in the Hippocratic Oath and the teachings of Florence Nightingale. She was an inspiration not only to her family but to many nurses, doctors, and medical staff. To speak about all her achievements would require a book. Her accomplishments are too numerous and cannot be noted in an obituary

Brenda leaves behind a legacy of love and family. She is survived by her husband, Kenneth Smith, and her two daughters, Satoria Smith, and Natecia Smith. She also leaves behind five brothers, Alfred Bell, Christopher Plummer, Loxley Reid, Michael S. Bell, and Derrick Bell; four sisters, Lennet Bell, Dorothy Bell, Jemmin Bell-Pellan, and Vanessa Bell-Stocks; her niece Jovanna Bell-Parkhouse and her nephew Rahshawn Martin, who recognized her as their second mother; and numerous nieces and nephews whom she adored. Her love for her family was evident in every aspect of her life. Brenda has now been reunited with her parents and grandparents in the afterlife. She was indeed a phenomenal woman and a force to reckon with.





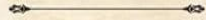


Acknowledgment

The Family of Brenda Bell-Smith wishes to thank you for your calls, cards, gifts, prayers, and presence during our time of bereavement. Additional recognition to those who supported her and helped us during her cancer journey.



F. SCOTT FITZGERALD



For what it's worth... it's never too late, or in my case too early, to be whoever you want to be. There's no time limit. Start whenever you want. You can change or stay the same. There are no rules to this thing. We can make the best or the worst of it. I hope you make the best of it. I hope you see things that startle you. I hope you feel things you've never felt before. I hope you meet people who have a different point of view. I hope you live a life you're proud of, and if you're not, I hope you have the courage to start over again.

