

**SUNRISE**  
SEPTEMBER 18, 1930

**SUNSET**  
DECEMBER 21, 2023



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

*Lillie*  
CRUMP

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Thursday, January 4, 2024 – 11:00am - 12:30pm  
Viewing: 10:00am - 11:00am

G. Choice Funeral Chapel  
2530 N. Broad Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19125



# I CAN ONLY Imagine

I can only imagine  
What it will be like  
When I walk by Your side  
I can only imagine  
What my eyes would see  
When Your face is before me  
I can only imagine  
Yeah

Surrounded by Your glory  
What will my heart feel?  
Will I dance for You Jesus  
Or in awe of You be still?  
Will I stand in Your presence  
Or to my knees, will I fall?  
Will I sing hallelujah?  
Will I be able to speak at all?  
I can only imagine  
I can only imagine

I can only imagine  
When that day comes  
And I find myself  
Standing in the Son  
I can only imagine  
When all I will do  
Is forever, forever worship You  
I can only imagine, yeah  
I can only imagine

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Or in awe of You be still?  
Will I stand in your presence  
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Will I sing hallelujah?  
Will I be able to speak at all?  
I can only imagine, yeah  
I can only imagine



Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory."  
- 1 Corinthians 15:51-54 KJV



The family of the late Lillie Crump extends thanks and appreciation for their acts of kindness and their expressions of sympathy and love during these hours of bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep all of you in His care.

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## HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

- Processional
- Opening Selection
- Prayer of Comfort
- Scripture Reading
- Old Testament - Psalm 34
- New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-54
- Selection
- Remarks
- Reading of Obituary
- Selection
- Eulogy
- Recessional
- Benediction

Interment (12:30pm)  
 West Laurel Hill Cemetery  
 215 Belmont Avenue  
 Bala cynwyd, PA 19004

LIFE REFLECTIONS  
 OF

# Lillie CRUMP

Lillie Crump, born September 18, 1930, to the late Carrie Womack and Gilbert Edmonds, was preceded by her husband, Joseph Crump, and two sons Andre Crump and Perry Crump; survived by Rodman Crump, Dawn Crump, and Desiree Crump. Lillie Crump leaves a legacy of love and resolute determination, driven by the love of Christ, striving toward the mark of a higher calling.

Lillie Crump assumed the role of matriarch pouring love and fortitude into the rising generations of the Edmonds and Crump family. With immense grace and poise her uncompromising character influenced generations leaving a legacy of love, laughter, and strength. She was the mother to five children whom she lovingly named Perry Crump, Andre Crump, Rodman Crump, Dawn Crump, and Desiree Crump.

She instilled the knowledge of God in her children, reciting the 23rd Psalms with her daughters daily while driving them to school. She ruled with an iron fist while remaining fashionably elegant. At 4 '11 she was a force to be reckoned with, she maintained a stern hand of discipline and an undiminishing sense of wit and humor.

Her daughter Dawn reflects upon her memory stating "What is more beautiful than a Lily? What scent is sweeter or fills the room more than a Lily?"

My mother in her latter days became more clothed in the only garment that will endure, the holy spirit."

Her daughter Desiree reflects on her time with her stating "I was thankful to be able to hold her hand and smell her sweet perfume, to sniff under her neck, as I loved to do, kiss her, hug her, hold her, and just be with her. I'm thankful for the lord restoring our relationship and allowing us to share blessed, beautiful, and precious moments together. I'm thankful for the love she

showed towards my children and for the strength and endurance that the Lord allowed me to witness in her being. She always found a way to make me laugh and smile, even in her distress."

In July of 1951, she married the love of her life, Joseph Crump. Seventy-two years later the memories of her love would bring smiles to the faces of her children and grandchildren that would warm their hearts.

Her Granddaughter Israel reflects on her time with her stating "I remember one fine morning she sat me down, handed me a book, and told me to take notes as she shared her thoughts on love and marriage. She spoke plainly, not evading the woes and trials of life stating that " Life puts wear and tear on relationships, but love doesn't diminish, infatuation does." She presented marriage as a sacred union that mirrored the love Christ has for us, stating

"Marriage is a sacred covenant. God ordained the first marriage, man, and woman. God speaks of our relationship to him as a marriage. Christ's love is the greatest love. He's seen us at our worst and best and still chooses to love us. He's the groom." During the time I spent with my Grandmother, I gained a greater understanding of what love is. She was tough, but I knew it was her love and admiration to call those she loved to a higher standard."

Journeying through her walk with Christ she often shared her encounters and revelations with Jesus Christ at her kitchen table. The word of God flowed out of her mouth, yielding and commanding generations in the love of Christ. As she grew in the grace and knowledge of God her devotion to His word was admired by those nearest to her. Her uncompromising faith and the mercy and grace of God gave her the strength to overcome the heartache, trials, and tribulations that the world brought her way.

Lillie Crump attended Temple University where her strong spirit and intellectual

brilliance contended and challenged the norms of racial injustice and the common consensus of modern psychology. She continued her love for education by opening up the "Homework House" an afterschool program that assisted children in the community with their studies while presenting them with tools to help them grow in their knowledge and relationship with God. Many of her students returned in the summer to attend her day camp. Staffed and attended by family, the summer camp presented a model for cooperative family management in business.

In her later years, she moved to North Carolina and developed a strong and inspiring relationship with a local church. Her infectious love inspired a lasting bond with her church family, who spoke very highly of her, and reflected their love for her through their devotion and unwavering attention and care for her.

She expressed a love and joy for her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and great great great grandchildren and the joy of being blessed to see so many generations. She built a special bond and relationship with her second youngest great grandchild Zion Crump. They shared precious moments together playing hide and seek in the morning, enjoying popcorn and movies on the weekends and playing dominos. At the age of 93 she would go outside to kick a ball with her and traveled to the neighborhood swimming pool to watch her swim. Loved by many she will be missed by all, whose lives she touched, rejoicing in faith and looking forward to the day that we will see the glory of God face to face.

Lovingly  
 Submitted, The Family

