# Im Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. 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, to love, to work or play. Tasks 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 joys: A friendship shared a laugh, a kiss. Ah 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 savoured much; Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch. Perhaps my time seems all too 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.

God looked around his garden and found an empty place. He then looked down upon the Earth and saw your tired face. He put his arms around you And lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful; He only takes the best. He knew that you were suffering; He knew you were in pain. He knew that you would never Get well on Earth again. He saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered, "Peace be thine." It broke our hearts to lose you But you didn't go aloné, For part of us went with you The day God called you home.

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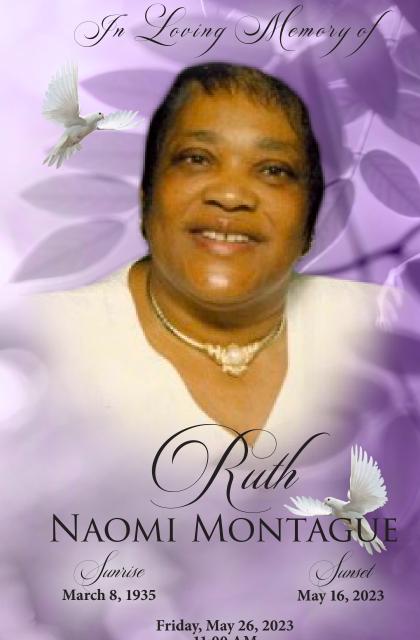
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The family of Ruth Naomi Fowler Montague wishes to extend our sincere thanks to all who have shared with them in their hour of great loss. Rich blessings of God be upon each and every one of you.

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11:00 AM

Mt. Airy Church of God in Christ 6401 Ogontz Avenue Philadelphia, Pennslyvania 19126

Reverend Dr. Keith Roberson, Eulogist

Ruth Naomi Fowler Montague, 88, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, transitioned on May 16, 2023, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Ruth was the seventh child born to William Henry Fowler and Leticia Elizabeth Stewart on March 8, 1935, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She was formally educated through the Camden, New Jersey school system.

She was baptized on November 1, 1951, at the First Century Gospel Church in Philadelphia.

Ruth Naomi Fowler and Sidney Ronald Montague, Sr., were united in holy matrimony on December 26, 1969, in Philadelphia. To this union, they raised ten children, Ernest, Cheryl, Faheem (L'Tanya), Brian (Regina), Anthony, Melvin, Ronald, Tanya, Dawn, and Kevin (Aaliyah).

She was a woman dedicated to providing for her family and she always, always put GOD first in everything she did. Her infectious spirit and bright smile were embraced by everyone who she encountered. She had a great sense of humor which she passed along to her offspring.

She spent her early life working with children in the public schools as a noon-time aide and in the domestic compacity. Ruth joined the Mt. Airy C.O.G.I.C. in 1988 under the teaching and preaching of Bishop Ernest C. Morris. Her love for GOD caused her to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord. In her later years, she dedicated countless hours working in many auxiliaries at Mt. Airy C.O.G.I.C., including the usher board, senior choir, and the helping hands committee, just to name a few.

Ruth Naomi Fowler Montague is preceded in death by both parents, William Henry Fowler and Leticia Elizabeth Stewart; ten siblings; and two of her children, Cheryl and Melvin.

Ruth is survived by: eight children; five siblings; twentyeight grandchildren; fourty-two great-grandchildren; thirteen great-great-grandchildren; and host of nieces and nephews.

# Precious Memories

# Order of Service

## **Processional**

Final Viewing and Closing of the Bier Hymn ...... Blessed Assurance Prayer.....Reverend Dr. Keith Roberson Southern Baptist Church, New York **Scripture Readings:** Old Testament ......Psalm 23 New Testament ......John 14:1-7 Selection Inspirational Poem...... Kevin Montague Obituary Reading/Cards..... L'Tanya Akbar Remarks.....Two Minutes, Please Selection......Crown and Cross Choir

# Acknowledgements.....Staff of G. Choice Funeral Chapel, Inc.

Words of Comfort/Eulogy..... Reverend Dr. Keith Roberson

Southern Baptist Church, New York

# Benediction and Recessional

"Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land, and feed on his faithfulness." **Psalm 37:3**