

*In Loving Memory of*

*Arwella Shannon Robinson*

*Sunrise:*

*October 10, 1954*

*Sunset:*

*April 9, 2024*



*Friday, May 17, 2024*

*Family Hour: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.*

**From the Heart Church Ministries®**

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# Obituary

Arvella Robinson was born on October 10, 1954 in Washington, D.C. to the late Philmore Clark, Jr. and the Late Arthurdell Clark. She passed away on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, under the care of Kaiser Permanente Hospital amongst her immediate family members at age 69. Arvella was the goddaughter to John Clark. She lived in Washington, DC during her adolescent years and later relocated to Los Angeles, CA.

Arvella received her diploma and master's degree at Freeman College, Washington, DC. She also studied Biblical Hermeneutics, Missions, and Evangelism at the Southern California School of Ministry from 2009 to 2013. She frequently volunteered in outreach programs orchestrated by her church, and she also assisted members of the congregation who needed help. Moreover, Arvella enjoyed reading books, particularly on spirituality. She shared devotional readings with her family members to fit every situation they endured throughout her time on this earth. Arvella was dedicated to spreading and sharing Biblical Scriptures. She had a good sense of detecting when something was wrong, and she injected her intervention through prayer and Biblical Scriptures. Her prayers miraculously soothed souls.


Arvella enjoyed traveling and also loved to prepare exotic dishes. And, shopping was one of her favorite pastimes.

Arvella joined From the Heart Church Ministries in 2018 and prior to her relocating to Los Angeles, CA she was actively involved in the Intercessory Prayer and Membership Care Ministries.

Arvella worked at the The Washington Post (formerly Washington Post News Company) when she resided in Washington, DC. However, while in California, she worked for the U.S. Postal Service until she retired.

Arvella will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her. She leaves behind to cherish her memories her uncle, John Clark; aunt, Sandra Reid; son, Keenan Smith (Cassidy); granddaughter, Malia Smith; grandson, Keenan Smith, Jr; granddaughter, Anessa Smith; grandson, Khalil Smith; sisters: Debra Clark-Ware, Sonya Fitzpatrick (Donald), and Phylliss Marshall; nieces: Donya Fitzpatrick, Akilah Means (Jovan), and Shawnese Ware; nephews: Donnell Fitzpatrick, Antaun Clark, and Gregory Townsend; great-nephews: Isaiah Means, Landon Means, and Jackson Means; great-nieces: Cory Fitzpatrick, Cadence Clark, and Kelsey Means; and a host of other family members and friends.

Arvella was preceded in death by her brothers, Philmore Clark, III and Gregory Clark; and godmother, Edith Clark.





# Order of Service

**Invocation**

**Congregational Hymn** ..... **“Nothing But the Blood of Jesus”**

**Scripture Reading**

*Old Testament: Psalm 139:1-14  
New Testament: John 11:22-25*

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection** ..... **Mr. Marcus Means**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

*Ms. Adrienne Baylor, Friend  
Mr. Antuan Clark, Nephew  
Mr. Clifford Lancaster, Friend*

**Poem** ..... **Mr. Clifford Lancaster**

**Obituary** (*Read Silently*)

**Song of Preparation** ..... **Mr. Marcus Means**

**Message of Hope** ..... **Minister Janet D. Briscoe**

**Call to Christ**

**Benediction**

**Recessional**






# Family Sentiments

*Sister,*

*We know that you do not want us to weep but our hearts still bleed due to your homecoming to the Lord. The Lord knew what you were going through, and He called on you to return to Him. I know you will tell us that you are not suffering any more on earth and that you released your burden to the Lord. He carried you extremely far on this earth through your trials and tribulations. He saw you suffering in sickness and brought you home for peace and serenity. Despite everything, you've won your battle, as you are now with our Lord and Savior. Your sickness will be no more. Right now, we still mourn, and our hearts still ache, but we are relieved to know that you will no longer suffer. We're going to miss your direction to Christ. You will remain in our hearts forever! You're never forgotten. We'll see you again. We love you immensely.*

***With all of our Love,  
Your Siblings***





# Family Sentiments

## *In Loving Memory*

*A limb has fallen from the family tree. I keep hearing a voice that says,  
"Grieve not for me."*

*Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. Remember the good life  
I lived while I was strong.*

*Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the  
sun will shine through.*

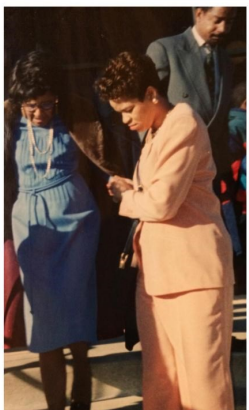
*My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was  
blessed.*

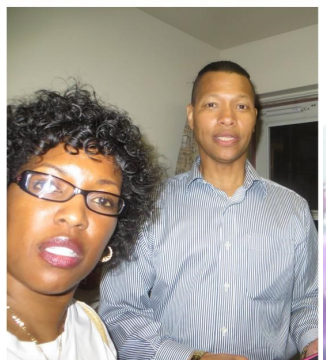
*Continue traditions, no matter how small. Go with your life, do not  
worry about falls.*

*I miss you all dearly, so keep your chin up. Until the day comes, we're  
together again.*

*Author Unknown*







# Congregational Hymn

## **NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS**

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

### **REFRAIN**

*O! Precious is the flow, That makes me white as snow,  
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

*For my pardon, this I see. Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my cleansing this my plea. Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

### **REFRAIN**

*Nothing can for sin atone; Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Naught of good that I have done. Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

### **REFRAIN**

*This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

### **REFRAIN**

## Acknowledgement

*The entire Robinson family sincerely thanks all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!*

*The family also wishes to thank Keenan (son of Arvella), Cassidy Smith, and Larry Smith for diligently caring for Arvella when she fell ill. We also appreciate their efforts in the preparation of Arvella's memorial services held in Long Beach, CA*

## Pallbearers

*Antuan Clark, Donald Fitzpatrick, Donnel Fitzpatrick, Gregory Townsend, and Milton Ware*

## Flower Bearers

*Family and Friends*