

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING  
For The Life OF



*Vivene May Glidden*  
14 November 1939 – 28 February 2025

Wesleyan Holiness Church  
West Bay Grand Cayman  
Saturday, 15th March 2025  
Service 10AM

Officiating Ministers  
Reverend Phillip Eckstein  
Pastor Mitchell Ebanks Exctain

Pianist - Reina Jefferson, MBE  
Song Leader – Julie Ebanks  
Guest Book Attendant – Marjorie Bush-Dixon  
Ushers – Lisa Mclaughlin & Michelle Bodden

## *Order of Service*

Opening Remarks ..... Reverend Phillip Eckstein  
Opening Prayer ..... Pastor Steve Brady  
Opening Song – What a Friend we Have in Jesus ..... Congregation  
Obituary ..... Sean Glidden

### Tributes

Tribute in Song From Friends & Family - My Redeemer Lives ..... Melissa Smith  
Tribute Poem from sister Dawn Dilbert – In Memory ..... Casandra Ebanks  
Tribute from sister Annie Multon & Children ..... Casandra Ebanks  
Tribute From Daughter and Grandsons ..... Veda Ebanks

Slide Show – How Great Thou Art ..... Pre-recorded Music  
Scripture – Psalm 100 ..... Pastor Steve Brady  
Sermon ..... Pastor Mitchell Ebanks Exctain  
Song – Blessed Assurance ..... Congregation  
Benediction ..... Reverend Phillip Eckstein  
Closing Song – Thank You Lord For Your Blessings On Me ..... Pre-recorded Music

### *Pallbearers*

Beeko Smith  
Dieter Smith  
Denver Barnes

Joshua Smith  
Michele Smith  
Paul Rivers

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Alstead Glidden  
Charles Jurgens III  
Christopher Bush  
Erik Ebanks  
Foster Diaz  
Gerilee Diaz  
George Smith  
Gerald Smith  
Jason Jurgens  
John Michael Foster

Kervin Glidden  
Miguel Smith  
Pablo Brito Ebanks  
Phillip Ebanks  
Richard Smith  
Rolando Puerto  
Vincent Bush Jr.  
Woodrow Ebanks  
Woodrow Foster

## *Obituary of Vivene May Glidden*

Vivene May Glidden was born in West Bay, Grand Cayman on 14th November 1939 to Alison Kermit Ebanks known as ( Jackie) and Ethel Mable Glidden. She was raised by her Grandparents Donald and Sarah Glidden. She was their eldest grandchild. She spent most of her childhood days in Swan Island. Vivene's education involved attending school under the leadership of Miss Izzy Powell and Miss Beulah Smith.

At the age of 12 Vivene decided to discontinue school and become the caregiver for her grandmother Sarah Glidden. One day she saw her grandmother holding the pot handle which was hot trying to remove the pot from the stove. She realized her grandmother had lost feeling in her hands because of her illness with diabetes and did not want her to injure herself. She cared for her grandmother until she passed away.

Her years of employment included working at the Galleon Beach hotel as a prep cook in the kitchen and waitress in the Captain Morgan's Steak House.

Vivene worked for David and Chi Chi Foster as the caretaker for their children John Michael, Woody and Tanya. She also worked for her cousin Rebecca Smith as the caretaker for her children, Philip, Sherrill and Erik.

She also worked at Bud's meat market as store clerk and cashier. Vivene also worked for her brother in law Charles Jurgens as his personal assistant for his cabinet business.

Vivene was employed by her nephew, Michele Smith as administrative assistant for his company Smith's Construction.

Vivene worked part time with her cousin Faith Wallace and best friend Margaret Parsons baking and decorating wedding cakes. Both preceded her in death. Because of the increase in demand for her baking and decorating cakes she decided to make this a full time career. She was well known for her cakes because she could make many character birthday cakes for children and adults. She could make Wedding Cakes in any style and fruit cakes at Christmas time with her original icing. She was well known for her coconut cream pies that were made with freshly grated coconut.

Vivene enjoyed travelling and did multiple cruises. Her last cruise was with Royal Caribbean Anthem of The Seas to New England and Canada in October 2017. Vivene travelled to the Bahamas, Cuba, Costa Rica, Canada, Honduras, United Kingdom, United States and Europe. Her favorite country was Costa Rica. She had friends in Costa Rica and spent a lot of time there with them.

She enjoyed attending church and annual cousins Christmas gatherings at Daniel Bennett's place, in addition to family gathering's at her nephew Michele Smith's place. Treats and Cimboco were her favorite restaurants for breakfast.

Vivene enjoyed taking photographs and having photographs taken with herself, family and friends so she would always have memories.

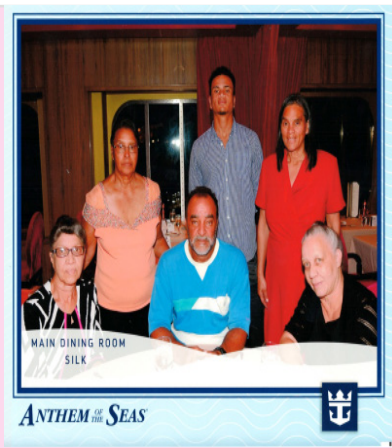
Vivene had one child, Cindy Yolanda Bush Smith who she truly loved and cared for. She was also a mother to the children in her family. She did not hesitate if anyone in the family needed help with their children. She made her family a priority in her life and this was known by all her family members. She believed that it took a village to raise a child and lived doing anything she could to help her family and anyone she knew was in need.

Vivene was preceded in death by her parents Alison Kermit Ebanks and Ethel Mable Glidden.

Left to mourn her passing are, daughter Cindy Yolanda Bush Smith, 2 grandsons Brenton and Joshua Smith, 5 brothers Archie Rivers, Roy Ebanks, Clyde, Jesse, and Ofield Smith. 5 sisters Annie Multon, Dawn Dilbert, Ethel Smith, Sadie Jurgens, Zelda Ebanks, nieces, nephews and a host of other family and friends.

*May her soul rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon her.*







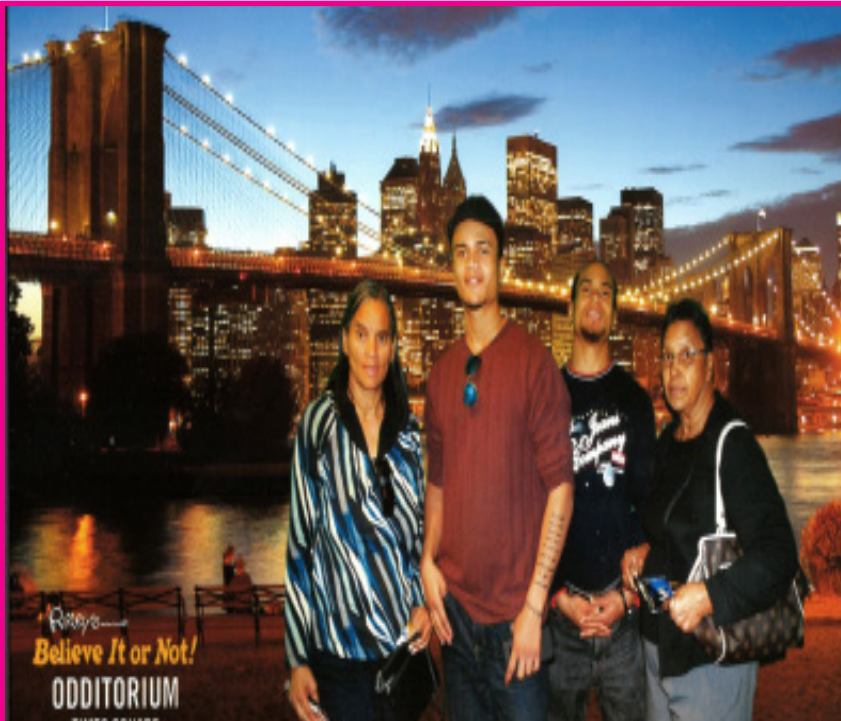
Grandparents  
Donald and Sarah Glidden



80th Birthday Celebration



Vivene, I want you to know you are like a mother to me, you have won the race before us and it is for us to stay focused on the finish and we will join you again one day.



Mama no words can express the love you showed to me and my children. We love you and miss you being here on earth with us. We know you are in a better place in heaven reunited with God and all your family that is in heaven. Our goal is to meet with you in heaven one day so we can spend eternal life with you and God.

**John 14:1-3**

*Let not your heart be troubled;  
you believe in God, believe in Me.  
In My Father's house are many [a]mansions;  
if it were not so, [b]I would have told you.  
I go to prepare a place for you.  
And if I go and prepare a place for you,  
I will come again and receive you to Myself;  
that where I am, there you may be also.*



## *Graveside Service*

Opening Sentences.....	Pastor Mitchell Ebanks Exctain
Prayer .....	Gerilee Diaz
Hymn – When The Roll is Called up Yonder.....	Congregation
Committal.....	Pastor Mitchell Ebanks Exctain
Hymn-When we All Get to Heaven.....	Congregation
Benediction .....	Pastor Mitchell Ebanks Exctain

### **When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder**

When the Trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more,  
And the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair  
When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,  
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there

Refrain: When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
I'll be there

On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise,  
And the glory of His resurrection share when His chosen ones shall gather  
To their home beyond the skies, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun,  
Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care then when all of life is over  
And our work on earth is done and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

### **When We All Get To Heaven**

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace  
In the mansions bright and blessed, He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain: When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be  
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will over-spread the sky  
But when traveling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day  
Just one glimpse of Him in glory, will the toils of life repay.

Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;  
Soon the pearly gates will open; We shall tread the streets of gold.

### ***Thanks and Acknowledgement***

*The family of the late Vivene May Glidden wishes to extend sincere thanks to our family and friends for their prayers as well as messages and phone calls expressing their sympathy and love.*

*Special thanks to caregiver Ann Marie from Caring Hands. Words cannot express the care and compassion extended to her by the doctors and nurses of the H.S.A. during her stay in the hospital.*

*May God bless you all.*