

DAWNING – poetry, prose, essays and anecdotes – By Arnold Bathersfield

In Death we live through tunnels of the “Eyes”!

Cousin Jean Gill a matriarch of the ‘Indigenous African Ark’ was seeded to the ancestors on Thursday July 20, 2023. She chartered a course for total reflection, self-reliance, resiliency and independence. She understood the frailty and vulnerability of the human spirit – she was adept – a woman of faith – highly spiritual and she knew the role of the church molding the youths in particular her church “The Arundel Congregational Church”/Missionary Church, whose doctrines were entrenched in her consciousness.

Cousin Jean exemplified the essence of “Being” human – humbleness and purpose – the virtues of living and giving which went beyond church organizations and civic groups. She embraced the less fortunate as she shared gifts – food, her treats, buns, cake, ice blocks, and fudge etcetera. As we continue to introspect and reflect – let us embrace each other in the spirit of universal oneness of love and gratitude as she would have in the ageless tradition of embracing and comforting all.

In Death we live through tunnels of the “Eyes”! Faith is sacrosanct! Cousin Jean Gill lived benevolence. Peace be unto her.

Asante Sana (Thank you very much).

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