



## Bernice C. Moorehead

February 27, 2015

Bernice (Berenice) C. Moorehead, daughter of the late Luke and Bertha Mercer, was born June 21, 1934 in Port Chester, New York. Bernice, who was called “Bern” by her closest friends, went to her eternal rest on Friday, February 27, 2015.

Bernice and her beloved husband, John, enjoyed a long and loving marriage and raised three children, Edwina, Jonathan and Jason.

Bernice was a graduate of Jamaica High School in Queens, NY, received a B.S. in Social Welfare from New York University, and attended graduate studies at Rutgers University. She dedicated her life to helping others as a medical social worker for St. Mary's Hospital in Passaic, NJ, and as a parent coordinator for the Bergen County Head Start program.

Bernice was also an assistant teacher for the Teaneck and Englewood school systems. A Teaneck resident for the past 50 years, Bernice was proud to serve as a den mother for the Boy Scouts of America. She was a board member of the Children's Aid and Adoption Society of New Jersey and the Child Care Coordinating Council of Bergen County.

Professionally, she was a member of the 4C Coordinating Council of Bergen County, the National Association of Social Workers, NAACP, and the League of Women Voters. She was also a member of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Jack and Jill of America Inc., Bergen/Passaic Chapters, the African American Educational Center, and the Bergen County Community Action Program.

“Mom Mom,” as she was affectionately called by her grandchildren, had a love for life. She enjoyed playing tennis with her husband John, cultural and educational outings with her grandchildren, and Cub Scouts. Interior decorating, gardening, baking, crocheting, and hosting special events were also her passions. She was an avid reader, and in her heyday enjoyed singing while accompanying herself on the piano. Bargain shopping and antiquing were her favorite pastimes. Most noted for her fashion sense, she was often seen wearing a stylish chapeau.

Bernice is pre-deceased by her husband John, sister Edwina and brother Lorenzo. She leaves behind daughter Edwina, sons Jonathan and his wife MaryAnn, Jason and his wife Yllen, sisters Mary Ann and Violet, sister-in-law Connie, nephew Paul and his wife Courtney, and niece Pamela.

Seven grandchildren: Quiana, Andre, Courtney, Tristan, Craig, Logan and Luke; great-

grandson Philip; great nephews Russell, Christopher and Caleb and a host of cousins and life-long friends.

Family and friends are invited for visitation Sunday, 12-2PM at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 789 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck. Funeral Service immediately following, 2pm, at the Funeral Home. For more information and to view Bernice's tribute page, please visit [volkleber.com](http://volkleber.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Lawn Crematory

Corner of Crooks Blvd & McClean Avenue  
Paterson, NJ 07503

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Teaneck  
789 Teaneck Road  
Teaneck, NJ 07666  
(201) 836-0202  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Volk Leber Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernice C. Moorehead*



**Volk Leber Funeral Home** - March 05, 2015 at 02:12 PM

KR

*What a beautiful tribute. Loving memories are treasured by The Jack family. Rest Peacefully dear Bernice.*

**Kim Jack Riley** - March 08, 2015 at 08:19 AM

JF

*I remember Bernice as one of the early members of our Bookmates club. We shared a passion for books, education, history, and life. May Bernice rest well with God. With admiration and respect, Joan Fortune*

**Joan Fortune** - March 08, 2015 at 02:56 PM

DE

*We the Mercer children of the Late Lorenzo and Catherine Mercer extend our heartfelt condolences to my cousins in the transition of your Mother, our Aunt. May you find comfort and strength in the memories and comfort in our Heavenly Father who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly far above all we can ask. Lovingly Submitted.....your cousins.*

**Debbye** - March 10, 2015 at 07:21 AM

GC

*Dear Edwin, Courtney and Family,  
My deepest sympathy in the transition of your love one. I am sorry that I could not be there with you in person. Please know that I am sending up prayers for all of you. Love always, Gwen C.*

**Gwen Carmon** - March 18, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ *Bernice C. Moorehead*

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Bernice C. Moorehead*

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Bernice C. Moorehead*

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM

ZP

“ *It was mentioned that Bernice was an avid reader. This is so true. She was a member of Bookmates, our local book club, in earlier years.*

*Many of us have fond memories of her input at these discussions and of her graciously hosting some of our meetings, especially the ones on her deck.*

*I also had the pleasure of working with her in the schools. She was a lovely lady.*

*I extend my sincere condolences to the family, both personally and on behalf of the Bookmates. May God bless you and comfort you in your time of loss.*

*Zita Pruitt*

Zita Pruitt - March 10, 2015 at 08:01 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bernice C. Moorehead.*



March 06, 2015 at 11:01 AM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Bernice C. Moorehead.*



March 06, 2015 at 10:39 AM



“ 70 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Volk Leber Funeral Home** - March 05, 2015 at 02:09 PM