

Order of Service

Rev. Mckinley Sims, Officiating

Musical Interlude..... Ms. Mary Maddox, Pianist
Closing of the Bier
Welcome..... Reverend McKinley Sims
Chalice Lighting..... Ms. Jasminn Cooper
The Prayer of ComfortElder Mabray Andrews
SelectionDeaconess Angela Hollis, Soloist
Ms. Mary Maddox, Pianist
Poem.....Ms. Pat DeBrady
Reading of Life Story..... Ms. Stephanie Holloman
Reflections Ms. Thelma Jones
Ms. Margarette Crawford
Musical Interlude
Reflections Deacon Suzanne Vargus Holloman
Open Sharing
Words of RemembranceMr. Bill Vargus
Chalice Extinguishing..... Ms. Nia Vargus
Closing Reverend McKinley Sims
Recessional
Pallbearers..... Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Ivy Hill Cemetery
1201 Easton Rd., Philadelphia, PA 19150*

REPAST

1:00 PM | Daskam Room
Unitarian Society of Germantown

*In lieu of going to the cemetery,
you may proceed to the Daskam Room



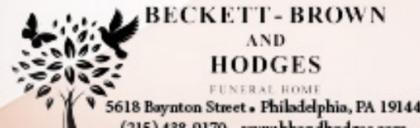
*Fearless/Social Worker/Matriarch/Dean/Mother of Family Reunions/
Trailblazer/Mentor/Leader/And Much More*

"I have had a career of keeping close to the black community while moving upward professionally, avoiding co-optation in the white dominated systems, and challenging traditional ideas," Dr. Ione D. Vargus. Quote from the book *They Carried Us: The Social Impact of Philadelphia's Black Women Leaders.*

Acknowledgements

We offer our heartfelt thanks to our family and friends for your prayers, expressions of kindness, encouragement and love during this time of bereavement for our beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Your outpouring of support has been a tremendous source of comfort and strength. May God bless you and keep you. A special thanks to her outstanding caretakers for the last few years; Marsha Potts, Ceola Smith, Cathy Heath, and Watonah Epps. The Family.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that you continue the legacy of Dr. Ione D. Vargus with a tax-exempt donation to the non-profit National Family Reunion Institute (NFRI). The QR code in this program will guide you to NFRI's website to donate or go to <https://nationalfamilyreunioninstitute.net/donations>



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Ione Vargus

JULY 19, 1930 - DECEMBER 20, 2025

Celebration of Life

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026, 10:00 AM

Viewing 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

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6511 Lincoln Drive, Philadelphia, PA 19119