

Sylvia Augusta Peterson

October 7, 1939

February 4, 2011

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<u>Obituary</u>

Sylvia Augusta Peterson, daughter of Samuel Augustus Peterson and Anne Eliza Mathias, was born on October 7, 1939 in New York City. She departed this life peacefully on February 4, 2011 at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital in New York City.

Even as a child, she was a kind, nurturing, compassionate person, wise beyond her years. These attributes endeared her to all those with whom she came in contact.

Sylvia was educated within the NYC Public School system. Her high school education was divided between Walton and Morris High Schools both in the Bronx, NY.

Upon graduation, her pervasive love for humanity led her to a lifetime commitment to a career in nursing. Bellevue Hospital was the chosen site where she devoted fifty-two years of service to the helping to cure ills of humanity. She climbed the occupational ladder from Nurse's Aid to a Registered Nurse with a Bachelor of Science degree. Her devotion to her career was second only to her undying love and devotion to family and friends.

Sylvia was magnanimous to a fault in offering her time, love and assets. Her death has left an unfillable void in the lives of all who knew her.

Among those who celebrate her productive life are the following: sisters, Doris Lucia Anderson and Mae R. Jackson; brother, Samuel C. Peterson, Esq.; devoted, loving life-long partner, Charles Armstead; and an array of nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, cousins and friends.

> To laugh often and much; To win the respect of the intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty; To find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or are deemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you lived. This is to have succeeded. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Sylvia, you will be remembered with love, laughter, and appreciation.

Order of Service

Reseating of Relatives
Selection "The Lord's Prayer"
Scripture
Prayer
Selection "How Great Thou Art"
Acknowledgements
Obituary Reading Samuel C. Peterson, Esquire
Eulogy
Selection "My Way"
Brief Reflections
Committal
Recessional

<u>Interment</u>

Maple Grove Cemetery Hackensack, New Jersey Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I am following the path God laid for me; I took His hand when I heard Him call, I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play; Tasks left undone must stay that way I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy; A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with time of sorrow I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow, My life's been full, I shared much Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all to brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief; Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free. -Author Unknown

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank all of you for your kind of expression of love and sympathy during their time of bereavement.

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