

Reflections of Life

Marlene Sheila Smith was born on February 2, 1945 to Harold and Miriam Marshall. She and her twin brother, Leroy were the youngest of five children born of this union. While attending a New York Public School, she met her future husband, Carl Smith. They were married on February 19, 1962. From that marriage three beautiful children were born, Sheila, Carlton and DeShawn Smith.

Always the workaholic, Marlene worked at Broadcast Music Inc. for over ten years. There she met many people and developed true lasting friendships. After working at BMI, Marlene then embarked on a career working for the U.S. Coastguard, where she retired after eighteen years. While working for the Coastguard, Marlene would move to Virginia where she acquired her Virginia family, who she cherished deeply.

Her happiest moments were the birth of her four grandchildren, whom she adored as they adored her, as well as spending time with them often. She also enjoyed traveling with her family and her dearest friends.

After bravely fighting cancer for four years, Marlene lost her battle on Thursday, April 14, 2011. Marlene was sixty-six years old.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her twin brother, Leroy; her three children, Sheila, Carlton and DeShawn; her four grandchildren, Shakia, Xenovia, Jovan and Amir; her daughter-in-law, Sylvia; her ex-husband, Carl; nieces and nephews, Leonard, Deborah, Dwight and Laura; her many grandnieces and nephews, Veronica, Susan, Robert and Doreen; as well as a host of family and friends who will miss her dearly.

She is reunited with her parents, beloved sister, Evelyn, brothers, Stanley and Arnold and brother-in-law, Benjamin.

Order of Service

Processional Clergy & Family - "Hero" by Mariah
Prayer Pastor Ella Mae Brandon
Scripture Pastor Ella Mae Brandon
Obituary Reading Xenovia Smith
Poem Jovan Smith
Remarks
Solo Reverend Turner
Eulogy
Solo Reverend Turner
Committal
Viewing
Recessional

Interment

Trinity Mausoleum New York, New York





When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom-filled room, why cry for a soul set free! Miss me a little - but not for long and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, Miss Me But Let Me Go. She has been rescued from our fallen world.

Welcome Home!!!!

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

With sincere appreciation, we wish to thank our extended family and many friends for their expressions of kindness and love during our bereavement for our loved one. May God bless you.

~The Family



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