



In Loving Memory of
Barbara Paten

Sunrise
November 19, 1942

Sunset
June 10, 2011

Monday, June 20, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Rev. Edward R. Culvert, Officiating

Obituary

Barbara Andrea Paten was born to the late William (Buster) and the late Ester Porter on November 19, 1942 in Harlem, New York. She grew up with eight brothers and sisters, Martha Milner, Leon, Nathaniel, Alan, William Jr. (Sonnyboy), Ronald, Delores Phillips and Vernell Walden. Barbara attended the New York City Public School system and graduated from Washington Irving High School where she received her Nursing License. After graduating from high school, Barbara worked at various hospitals and nursing homes throughout the city, however, the latter part of her career was spent working at Workman's Circle Nursing home.

Barbara took on the awesome responsibility of raising her two daughters, Leslie and Nyree in addition to raising her grandchildren, Nyomie Renee Martin and Jayden Christopher. Barbara loved and adored her children and grandchildren and was a committed and dedicated mother and grandmother "Nana"/ "Mommy".

Barbara was an adamant basketball fan, watching the games with Jayden were one of her favorite pastimes. She and Alan would debate the games and she would always have the last word. She could call a game play by play. Barbara was a fantastic cook, she could whip up an entire meal effortlessly. Family and friends would travel for miles in any weather to indulge in her unique cuisine. She loved to dance, and enjoyed the classics by the likes of Nat King Cole and Sarah Vaughn just to name a few.

She was preceded in death by her parents William (Buster) and Ester Porter, her siblings, William (Sonnyboy), Ronald and Martha Milner and her grandson, Christopher.

In her earlier years Barbara accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior and was baptized in her later years. To cherish her memory and mourn her passing she leaves: her two daughters, Leslie Bryan of Hilton Head Island, SC and Nyree Paten of Mt. Vernon, NY; seven grandchildren, Nyomie, Jerome, Christopher, Gabrielle, Lenard, Jayden and Brandon; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Barbara will forever live in our hearts and she will be greatly missed.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection “I Won’t Complain”

Scripture

Old Testament Psalm 23, Proverbs 4: 21,11

New Testament John 10:29, Colossians 3:15

Prayer

Selection “His Eyes Are On The Sparrow”

Acknowledgements

Remarks Family & Friends

Obituary Irene Padilla

Eulogy Rev. Edward R. Culvert

Selection “Mary Don’t You Weep”

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Mount Hope Cemetery
Hastings-on-Hudson, New York

The Journey

*We longed
We searched
We found
We touched
We merged
We grew
You smiled
I cried*

~ Vernell Walden

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.



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