



# Sandra Shay

Sunrise July 5, 1950 **Sunset** *April 12, 2013* 

Thursday, April 18, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

**ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES** 

129 Engle Street • Englewood, New Jersey

Dr. Lester W. Taylor Jr., Officiating

### **Obituary**

**Sandra Shay** was born July 5, 1950 in New York City to the late James Brooks and Leonia Feebie Shay. She is the third oldest of four children. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Johnny and Leon Shay. Sandra was educated in the New York City Public School System. During high school, she delivered newspapers and later graduated from Brandeis High School. After graduating from high school, she worked at the Dyckman Welfare Center in New York.

In her spare time she liked to play basketball, handball, tennis, checkers and dominos. She always liked a good challenge. In 1972, at the age of 21, Sandra was on her way to further her career when she was hit by a car in a hit and run accident. Sandra was in a coma for several months. Doctors believed that Sandra was not going to make it, but God proved them wrong and Sandra awoke from the coma within a few months. Despite the accident, her personality was still vibrant, funny, expressive, playful and outgoing.

In 1981, Sandra moved to Englewood, NJ with her family and became involved in programs such as Spectrum and HIP. After the loss of her mother in 1990 and her oldest brother Johnny in 1991, the family moved together to Teaneck, NJ in 1992. By living in the same home with her family, Sandra was able to touch their hearts in her own special way.

For the past sixteen years, Sandra has resided at the North New Jersey Development Center in Totowa, NJ. While living there, Sandra developed many friendships and everyone there loved Sandra as well. Sandra was a pleasant and outspoken person and everyone loved her for her honesty. She told it like it was, there was no sugar coating.

Sandra loved her family and her family truly loved Sandra. Sandra loved spending time with them for gatherings such as cookouts, birthdays, holidays and plain old family gatherings. She enjoyed listening to music and watching western movies, mysteries and soap operas. She also enjoyed getting her hair and nails done and wearing the latest fashions.

Sandra departed this life on Friday, April 12, 2013. Memories of Sandra will be cherished by her sister, Yvette Shay; her nieces, Annette Corbyn-Inis, Kurella Shay, Myon Shay; her nephew Leon (Keisha) Shay; her great niece Victoria Carolyn Booker; her great nephews, Amir Brycen James Booker and Nathaniel Lawrence Shay; her aunt Alma Graves; her first cousin Donald (Karen) Graves, Jr. and a host of other family members and friends.

Sandra had always appreciated the love and dedication given to her from her extended family at the New Jersey Development Center in Totowa, NJ. On behalf of the Shay family we would like to acknowledge and thank the caregivers that were in Sandra's life

## Order of Service

**Processional** 

Invocation

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Consolation

Solo

Acknowledgements

Reflections

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

#### **Interment**

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery Fairlawn, New Jersey

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 too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

#### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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