

Celebrating the Life of



# Gary Harris

**Sunrise**

*August 4, 1949*

**Sunset**

*January 23, 2014*

## **Service**

Thursday, January 30, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

**CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

387 Grand Street

Paterson, New Jersey

***Father Mark Giordani, Celebrant***



# Reflections of Life

**Gary Harris** was born on August 4, 1949 in Paterson, New Jersey to the late Thelma Harris Conner and the late Wilmore Mills. Gary was raised by his mother and step father the late James T. Conner.

He accepted Christ into his life at an early age and was baptized at Calvary Baptist Church, Paterson, New Jersey.

Gary graduated from Eastside High School, Paterson in 1969. He also attended and graduated from Tombrouck College, West Paterson, NJ in 1971 where he received a degree in Associated Arts.

Gary was married to Patricia Harris. He was employed as a Print Screen artist until his retirement in 2009.

God called Gary home on Thursday, January 23, 2014 after an illness at St. Joseph's Hospital Regional Medical Center, Paterson, NJ.

He leaves to cherish his memories: Sisters, Patricia L. Richardson of Cranford, NJ and Deborah Jenkins of Paterson, NJ; Brother, Thomas Conner of Clifton, NJ; two Aunts, Bertha L. Harris of Paterson, NJ and Esther Cephas of Irvington, NJ; Uncle, Peter Harris of Blakely, Georgia; Sister-in-law, Awilda Conner; Brother-in-law, Samuel A. Richardson; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

We want you to sleep on, take your rest. We loved you, but God loved you best.

*A precious one from us is gone. A voice we love is still.  
A place is vacant in our home, which never can be filled;  
He will never be forgotten though on earth he is no more,  
But in memory he is with us as he was here before.*

By the Family

# Mass of Christian Burial

## Introductory Rite

Entrance Hymn ..... “Be Not Afraid”

Sprinkling of Water and Placing of the Pall

## Liturgy of the Word

First Reading ..... Book of Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm ..... “Shepherd Me Oh God”

Second Reading ..... Letter from St. Paul to the Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12

Gospel ..... Matthew 11:25-30

Homily ..... Fr. Mark J. Giordani

General Intercessions

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn ..... “Hail Mary- Gentle Woman”

Communion Hymns ..... “You Are Mine”  
“Here I Am Lord”

Mediation Hymn ..... “Ave Maria”

Final Commendation and Farewell

Recessional Hymns ..... “How Great Thou Art”  
“On Eagles Wings”

### **Interment**

Fair Lawn Cemetery  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

## Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*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*

## A Message to Our Family and Friends

*Thank you for being with us today. We are very blessed  
to have such close family and friends. We greatly  
appreciate all of your prayers, love and support.*

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