



*In Loving Memory of*

*Cecelia J. Carty*

*Sunrise*  
August 24, 1963

*Sunset*  
October 28, 2014

Service

Monday, November 3, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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## *Obituary*

**Cecelia Ann Carty** affectionately called “**Cely**” by her family and “**Cece**” by her friends, was born August 24, 1963 to the late James and Willistine Johnson. She was educated in the New York City Public school system. She attended and graduated from Martin Luther King High school, and furthered her education by graduating from Borough of Manhattan Community College and receiving her Associates Degree.

During her adolescent and teenage years, she became the original fashionista. She was a sharp dresser from head to toe. No matter where or when you saw Cely she was fly; she was the original “Fly girl”. In addition, to being a fashionista, she also taught herself to cornbraid, do extension and weave her own hair as well as the hair of family and friends. Many benefited from her skills of braiding and doing hair. Cely was very outgoing and very outspoken; she told you just how it is. She didn’t bite her tongue, and she told you how she felt whether you liked it or not. However, she was also very loving and kind hearted to those who she loved.

Cecelia met, and fell in love with her childhood sweetheart, Gerard Carty. They were married in 1987 and from their union they have one son, Gerard Carty Jr. Cely was a loving wife and mother. She loved to celebrate life by cooking, and hosting her annual New Year’s Eve party, cookouts, and any event to bring family and friends together.

Upon graduation of college, she became employed by the Federal Government in the Department of Army Corp of Engineers. She loved her job and the many friends that she made there. After 20 years of service, she decided on a career change.

Cely went back to school to do work in the field of Human Services. She obtained employment at the Osborne Society as a housing specialist; where she helped many homeless people obtain housing and reunite with their families. Due to her illness she parted ways with the Osborne Society in 2012.

Throughout her life Cecelia touched many lives. On October 28, 2014 God called her home. She leaves to cherish her memory her loving and devoted husband Gerard Sr., one son Gerard Jr., two brothers Tyrone Miles (Mary), Rocky Miles (Kali), one sister Delores Varner (Deaver). She also leaves to cherish her memory her mother-in-law Margaret Carty, two sisters-in-law Mary, Beatrice, and one brother-in-law George (Lesley). Also her aunt Genova Lawrence, two nieces Venus, LaVelle, and one nephew Robert better known as “Jack” and her bestest friend of 31 years and Godmother to her son Jackie Coward. She also leaves a host of great nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She will truly be missed!

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

*Interment*

Mount Hope Cemetery  
Hastings-on-Hudson, New York



# To Say Goodbye

To say goodbye is not the end  
To all my family and friends  
For life goes on, you must endure  
For my eternity is sure.  
Remember all the good times  
The memories we've shared  
The precious jewels of laughter  
The tender love and care.  
I found my resting place  
God's peace surrounds my soul  
Let love abound in all your hearts  
Let heaven be your goal.

*-Author unknown*

## Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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