

Celebration of Life
for



Kerry Lynette Harmon

Sunrise

May 11, 1967



Sunset

November 24, 2014

Saturday, November 29, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Deliverance Jesus Is Coming Association

815 Springfield Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey

Bishop James Everett, Officiating



Obituary

Kerry Lynette Harmon was born on May 11, 1967 as part of a wonderful bundle of two.

Kerry was raised in South Hampton, NY and received her formal education in the South Hampton Public School System. After graduating high school, she attended Miami-Dade Community College and transferred to Farmingdale College where she received an Associates Degree in Secretarial Services. Upon completion, she participated in a college internship and gained employment with Debevoise & Plimpton, LLP in May of 1989, where she was a dedicated employee for twenty-five years.

Kerry was an aspiring songstress, in which she began her formal training as a member of the youth choir at Community Baptist Church in South Hampton, NY. She sang at many venues such as The Groove and West Gate in Greenwich Village, where she donated the proceeds to the Fire Department that aided recovery in Post 9/11. Kerry won the Amateur Night competition at the Legendary Apollo Theatre in Harlem, NY and sang at so many different churches, funerals and venues. Not only did Kerry enjoy singing, but she had a passion for health and fitness and made sure her family did as well.

Kerry received a 1st Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. She also enjoyed running and took part in multiple half-marathons including the Central Park Women's Half Marathon in 2013 & 2014 (even after receiving her diagnosis), and she ran in the Brooklyn Half Marathon along with her husband, Claude. Kerry had plenty of time to recover at the finish line while waiting for Claude, who was three miles behind. Most people use a lunch break to just eat, however, Kerry took her lunch time to improve her physical and mental well being by going to the gym regularly.

In 1986, Kerry met the Love of her Life, Claude Harmon, while returning home from a shopping excursion with her twin sister, Karen Ham on the Long Island Railroad. After a whirlwind courtship, they joined in matrimony in August of 1993 and to this union were born, Jada Sheree, Nyah Janae, and Skai Nevaeh. The focus of Kerry's attention was the nurturing of her three beautiful daughters, emphasizing their success through a good education. Kerry was very involved in their day-to-day extensive extra curriculum activities such as theater, dance, swimming, basketball, music lessons, and martial arts.

In 1996, Kerry and her family were introduced and became members of Deliverance Jesus Is Coming Church under the leadership of Bishop James H. Everett, Jr. Kerry received Christ as her personal savior and she worked with the music department and assisted with the children's ministry. Kerry and Claude's perception of how a married couple should conduct themselves was solidified by the examples of Bishop James and Pastor Vanessa. As a part of serving in the ministry, Kerry mentored and encouraged youth, as she served along with her husband in the AV Ministry.

Even though Kerry was challenged with sickness, it only caused her to grow stronger in her relationship with God. Her battle not only helped her, but also her loved ones developed a closer relationship with God. Those that witnessed from a distance were amazed and awed that she never lost faith, she kept her smile, and never complained.

Kerry departed this life on Monday, November 24, 2014.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her loving and devoted husband, Claude Harmon; her amazing three beautiful daughters, Jada Sheree, Nyah Janae, and Skai Nevaeh; her loving mother, Cassandra Brown; her dedicated step father, Charlie Brown; her two devoted and loving sisters, Big Sister, Angie Booker (Mark); her loving mirror image twin, Karen Lynn Ham; her step-sister, Sheryl Tucker (Kyle); her faithful and loving mother-in-law, Claudie Harmon, one loving brother-in-law, Terrell C. Harmon (Stacy); one faithful sister-in-law, Sonya Mallard (Paul); and a host of other family members and friends to cherish her memories.

*Scripture: I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. **Philippians 4:12***



Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Call to Service

Musical Selection.....DJICC Music Department
“Order My Steps”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - ISAIAH 40:31.....Elder Addison Hardy

New Testament - I CORINTHIANS 15: 51.....Elder Pearl Baldwin

Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Denise Baldwin

Words of Expression...Michael Gillespie- Mentor, Colleague, & Friend
Kathy Edwards- Mentor
Theron P. Mallard- Nephew

Musical Selection.....DJICC Music Department
“He’ll Welcome Me”

WORDS OF LOVE

Condolences & Obituary.....Stacey Harmon

Musical Selections.....Sis. JoAnn Givens
“A Prayer Away”
Pastor Vanessa Everett
“I Won’t Complain”

Eulogy.....Bishop James H. Everett, Jr.

Final Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Hollywood Memorial Park
1500 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ

Repast immediately following the Interment
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
1034 JEANETTE AVENUE, UNION, NJ

Going Home

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to Me".
With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away,
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

The Family

Acknowledgement

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