

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Henry John Collins

June 1, 1952 - June 10, 2026



Service

Monday, June 22, 2026 • 6:00 p.m.

George H. Weldon Funeral Home

353 E. 116th Street • New York, NY 10029

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Pastor Jay Gooding

Selection

Kevin Wade, Organist

Acknowledgments

Obituary

Selection

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Eulogy

Pastor Jay Gooding

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery

Linden, New Jersey

Obituary

As-salamu alaykum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh

Henry John Collins bka JC, a beloved father, grandfather, great grandfather and devoted member of his community, passed away peacefully on June 10, 2026, in New York. He was 74 years old.

Born on June 1, 1952, in New York City, Henry spent his entire life in the vibrant city where he was raised. His career reflected his dedication to helping others. For over three decades, he worked in hospitality at Mount Sinai Beth Israel, bringing comfort and care to countless individuals. In addition to his professional role, Henry served as a union delegate for 1199 SEIU, offering sound judgment and guidance through arbitration. His commitment to fairness and compassion left a lasting impact on those he worked with.

Music was a defining passion in Henry's life. From a young age, he showcased remarkable talent as a singer, winning talent shows and captivating audiences with his voice. This love for music led him to become the lead singer of The Sounds of Passion, an international cover band based in New York. The group earned numerous accolades for their renditions of classic and contemporary songs, highlighting Henry's extraordinary ability to connect with people through music.

A devout Muslim, Henry's faith was central to his life. It guided him through challenges and shaped his character with humility and strength. His spirituality enriched both his mental and physical well-being.

Henry's greatest joy came from being a loving & supportive father to his four children: Crystal Collins, Bashiek Collins, Jamie Vick, and Eve Ellis. He found immense happiness in the company of his many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Known for his kindness and unwavering support, John touched the lives of all who knew him with his generosity and warmth.

He is survived by his siblings, Walter Collins and Joyce Collins. Predeceased by his siblings, Anna, Pearl, Evans and Michael and Raheem. Henry leaves behind a legacy of love that will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Henry will also be most remembered by his reflection & life partner, Shirley Brown.

May the memory of Henry John Collins bring comfort and strength to those who loved him. Salam

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

Acknowledgements

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the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

May God Bless and Keep You!

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