

In Loving Memory of



Lucille H. Cheek

April 1, 1929 - October 30, 2013

Service

Monday, November 4, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

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Rev. Dr. J.G. McCann, Sr., Officiating

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Obituary

Lucille Harris Cheek, 84, of Manhattan's Upper West Side departed this life on October 30, 2013.

Born April 1, 1929, in Blythe, California, she was the daughter of the late Marvin and Reatha Harris. Her parents moved Lucille, along with her eight brothers and sisters to Bakersfield, California, where she was raised.

It was there that she met and married the late Lance B. Cheek, in 1949. Like every military family, Lucille and Lance moved often and kept homes in California, Washington, Texas, New Jersey, Guam and Japan.

Our mother, Lucille, held many fulfilling and interesting occupations in her lifetime. She started with a nursing career. At various times, our mother worked as a sorter at the United States Post Office, was an Office Manager for a real estate firm.

We fondly remember a time when she worked for a candy factory in New Jersey, and were thrilled when she brought home the fruits of her labor every weekend!

Mom held a position as a Mental Hygiene Therapy Aide at the Manhattan Developmental Center, where she worked with children with disabilities. On some weekends, she would bring some of the less fortunate resident children home to stay the weekend with us. She retired from this position with the state of New York after more than fifteen years.

Lucille was an avid jazz aficionado and meticulous homemaker. For us, this meant that on Saturday mornings, our home was cleaned and scrubbed from top to bottom, to the tunes of jazz greats Nancy Wilson, Dave Brubeck, Billie Holiday, Sarah Vaughn, George Benson, Grover Washington, Jr., and so on. Because for her cooking was a hobby, we listened to the jazz and cleaned the house, while she prepared our meals from scratch.

Mom also enjoyed gardening when she could, and crafts such as sewing, knitting, crocheting and painting, and on occasion, she would knit and crochet hats and scarves, and then donate those items to help out at fundraisers.

Our mother is predeceased by both of her parents, her husband and eldest child, Carolyn Arlene Cheek.

She leaves to mourn: four children, son, Kenneth Lee with his wife, Toni; daughter, Linda Joyce and daughter, Stephannie Lynne; and son, Joseph Alan; seven grandchildren, Curtis James, Rhonda Renee, Tyran Lee with his wife, LaKeisha, Crystal Natira, Devlin Christian, April Danielle-Lynne and Anita Nicole; five great grandchildren, Ashley Ann, Jasmine Renee, Corey Lee, Davion Lamonte and Alexis Ayanna.

Our family wishes to extend our heartfelt, unending gratitude to the palliative care unit at Mt. Sinai, for the gentle, caring and loving support, they gave our entire family, in our mothers final days.

In memory of our beloved mother, we ask only that you, our trusted and supportive extended family, take care of yourselves. See your doctor, get annual checkups and please be diligent about your cancer testing and screenings.

Submitted by The Family

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Recessional

Final Disposition
Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York

Psalm 23

*The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters. He
restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path
of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea,
though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou
art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they
comfort me. Thou preparest a table before
me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou
anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth
over. Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life; and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

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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