

In Loving Memory of



Barbara Taylor

Born: December 3, 1954

Passed: November 1, 2017

Obituary

Barbara Ann Taylor was born on December 3rd, 1954 in New York City to Joyce Taylor and Allen Taylor, Sr. Barbara grew up and lived her entire life in Harlem, where she was affectionately known as “Bobbi.” Barbara graduated high school from Harlem Prep and completed two years of higher education at Bard College before giving birth to her first and only child, Cornell Burnette, Jr. on September 13th, 1977.

Barbara will forever be known as a loving mother who made great sacrifices for her son. To support her family, Barbara worked briefly as a teacher at the Morningside Gardens nursery, before embarking on a long and successful career as a New York State Corrections Officer, from which she retired after twenty-seven years of service in 2007.

Along the way, Barbara touched many in her community and mentored several young children. She was always willing to help anyone in need and will be remembered for her generosity and acts of kindness.

In her spare time, Barbara was an avid sports fan, with interests in boxing, basketball, baseball and football. Her favorite teams were the Brooklyn Nets, New York Yankees, and New England Patriots.

Shortly after retirement, Barbara’s first and only grandchild, Brianna Burnette was born. Barbara enjoyed spending time with Brianna and spent her retirement helping to care for Brianna, as well as traveling with Brianna, son, Cornell, and daughter-in-law, Hayoung Yoon.

True to form, Barbara spent her last days caring for other people, with one of her last acts being the distribution of Halloween candy and treats to children in her community. She departed this stage of life shortly thereafter on November 1st, 2017.

Barbara Taylor leaves to mourn: her mother, Joyce Taylor; son, Cornell Burnette; daughter-in-law, Hayoung Yoon; granddaughter, Brianna Burnette; uncle, Earl Jones; two aunts, Mary Draffen and Khadijah Farmer; two brothers, Ronald Jones and Allen Taylor, Jr.; three sisters, Carolyn Taylor, Faye Tayler, and Denelle Taylor; six nephews, Johron Jones, Jarod Taylor, Yarret Taylor, Simeon Taylor, Artnell Taylor, and Allen Taylor III; eight nieces, Kaleah Jones, Kaisha Harrigan, Shakenya Taylor Ford, Lacrenea Taylor, Tamika Taylor, Morgan Taylor, Norma Taylor, and Natasha Kelly; four godsons, Reggie Golphin, Orpheus Golphin, Christian Jones, and Christopher Jones; one goddaughter, Tiffany Culp; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Service

Monday, November 13, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

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Order of Service

Processional

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Scripture Readings

Prayer

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

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Final Disposition

*Woodlawn Crematory
Bronx, New York*

Al Kahf

As to those who believe
And work righteousness,
Verily We shall not suffer
To perish the reward
Of any who do
A (single) righteous deed.
For them will be Gardens
Of Eternity; beneath them
Rivers will flow: they will
Be adorned therein
With bracelets of gold,
And they will wear
Green garments of fine silk
And heavy brocade;
They will recline therein
On raised thrones,
How good the recompense!
How beautiful a couch
To recline on!

*English interpretation of the Holy Quran
Chapter 18 (The Cave), Verses 30 & 31
(Abdullah Yusuf Ali translation)*

Acknowledgement

The Family wishes to extend thanks to everyone who has offered words of comfort and kept Barbara in their prayers. Your support is greatly appreciated and will not be forgotten.

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