In Loving Memory



John Ronald Lewis, Sr.

Sunrise October 2, 1941 Sunset May 14, 2018

Funeral Service Thursday, May 24, 2018 12:00 Noon

SERENITY FUNERAL SERVICE & CREMATIONS, INC.

984 Prospect Avenue Bronx, NY 10459 Rev. Sophia Cruz, Officiating Rev. Idus Nunn Minister of Music

<u>Obituary</u>

We are here to celebrate the life of the son of Olga Lewis and John Alexander Knott; John Ronald Lewis Sr., born October 2, 1941, in Harlem Hospital, New York City. He was raised by his grandmother Katie Johnson and had four sisters, Zakiya, now deceased, Veronica, Dyan and Yvonne and two younger brothers, Freddy and Russell both also deceased.

John attended Dewitt Clinton High School where his focus was the arts writing and painting. John married at a young age to Sandra Garland and they were blessed with four children, John Jr., Kevin, Lesley and Tonicka and raised them in Harlem. He attended John Jay College for 2 years and moved on to be a successful entrepreneur, owning three grocery stories, and two night clubs. During this time, John married Patricia Bolds and through this union they were blessed with their only child together, Alexandria. They resided in New Jersey and subsequently moved to the South Bronx.

John later worked as a Security Officer in a commercial office building in Harlem and being the hard worker & diligent hustler that he was, moved up to Director of Security and Supervisor of the entire security unit within one year.

John was always the life of the party with a witty personality and amazing sense of humor. He could make anyone smile or laugh, even when he was in a sour mood. He was known for his special "talks" and giving advice to all; family and friends, young and old. John was very wise, intelligent and street savvy. He was truly eclectic, having a love for all music (especially Frank Sinatra), the arts, mother nature and most importantly family.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his sons John R. Lewis Jr and Kevin Lewis. His daughters, Lesley Lewis, Tonicka Lewis and Alexandria Bolds Lewis. His daughters-in-law, Pamela Lewis and Chanique Lewis. His son-in-law, Sean Batiste. His three sisters, Veronica Knott, Dyan Gatson and Yvonne Marine. His one brother-in-law, Tony Gatson and one sister-in-law, Sharon Woodard. His nephew/honorary son Raymond Evans. His Godson Edgar Duncun. He also leaves behind seven grandchildren, Randy, Nia, Adilah, Aliyah, Kyle, Junayd, Kaiya and Khalil, four great grandchildren, Tyan, Brandon, Richard and Winston and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and wonderful friends.

Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional	
Selection	Rev. Idus Nunn
Prayer of Comfort	
Scripture Old Testament New Testament	
Song	Adriene Bonds
Reflections	Family/Friends 2 Mins
Selection	Rev. Idus Nunn
Obituary	Kyle Lewis, Grandson
Selection	Rev. Idus Nunn
Eulogy	Rev. Sophia Cruz
Committal	

Benediction

Dissolution

Woodlawn Crematory Bronx, New York

The Master Called

I'm sorry I had to leave you. My loved ones, oh so dear. But you see, the Master called me, His voice was very clear! I had made my reservation A heaven bound ticket for one, And I knew that He would call me When He felt my work was done. I know that your hearts are heavy Because I have gone away, But when the Master called me, I knew that I could not stay. Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you My loved ones, oh so dear, But, you see, the Master called me And, now I'm resting here. Yes, I've crossed on over to glory And to you all I say Just stay in the hands of Jesus And we'll meet again someday.

Acknowledgements

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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