## In Loving Memory of



Sunrise: November 22, 1941 Sunset: October 14, 2018

Service Thursday, October 25, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC. 2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

## <u>Obituary</u>

**Joyce Harris** was born Joyce VanPutten, the third of four children on November 22nd 1941, in Harlem N.Y. to Bertha & Archie VanPutten.

Joyce graduated from The Fashion Institute of Technology High School in NYC, as she loved the fashion world. After graduating Joyce gained employment with the national retail chain Netco/ Zayres, as a buyer's clerical where she would meet and marry her husband Donald E. Harris in 1966. She worked there until they shut their doors in 1990.

Joyce loved to laugh, cook, dance, and sew. She often made wedding gowns, bridesmaids dresses, and many other garments for her herself and many friends.

Joyce later went to work in the Hotel industry where she would later meet her significant other Russell D. Caroll of 25 years.

Joyce's second passion was her love for children. While in Brooklyn, she began her second career, taking on the task as caregiver to many of the neighborhood kids. She took pride in raising the kids as her own and was affectionately known as "Nana". Every year she looked forward to "Nana's Annual Christmas Party" where she cooked, played games and gifted each child.

Joyce is preceded in death by her parents, Bertha and Archie O. Van Putten Sr., sister, Gloria Glanton, brother, Archie O. Van Putten Jr., and nephew, Kenneth V. Glanton Sr.

Joyce is survived by her two sons, Cory VanPutten (Laura), and Shawn Harris (Mischa), 7 grandchildren, Joi, Shanee, Chantelle, Cory Jr., Courtney, Reyna, & Jayson. Four great-grandchildren, Malachai, Javon, Cory-Dae'von, and Kiara & sister, Shirley Wilburn, her significant other, Russell D. Carroll, and a host of nieces, nephews and grand-nieces grand-nephews and other family and friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Viewing

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*Ewing Cemetery Ewing, New Jersey* 

Repass at Sylvia's Restaurant 328 Malcolm X Blvd (7th Ave) 5pm

"the family requests no video or still pictures"



## A Mother's Love ...

Is unlike any other love one can experience. Mommy, you were our first love. We loved the way you carried yourself as a woman. We loved your honesty. Most couldn't handle your delivery, but we knew it always came from a loving place. We loved your smile, we loved your laugh, we loved your sincerity, we loved your heart and we loved your beauty. Most of all we loved the way you loved us. You taught us respect honor and integrity

You taught us respect honor and integrity. We will carry your love in our hearts forever and always. We love you eternally and we will never forget you.

> Love your sons, Cory & Shawn

"Thanks for Saving me from myself" Love Russell AKA Sweetpea

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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