



*Celebrating The Life of*  
*Adonia Leerdam-Jennings*

*Sunrise*  
*November 16, 1944*

*Sunset*  
*January 17, 2019*

*Service*  
*Friday, February 1, 2019*  
*9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.*

**The Brooklyn Funeral Home Chapel**  
2380 Pacific Street • Brooklyn, NY

## Obituary

**Adonia Leerdam-Jennings** was born on November 16, 1944 in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to Alice Rhymer Leerdam and Leonard Leerdam. She was the youngest of the nine children born to this union.

By the year 1954, Adonia's parents sent for their children one by one those that wanted to come to New York where they had migrated. Adonia attended New York City public schools and high school. As she grew from her teenager years to adulthood Adonia was always ahead of her peers. During her adulthood she met David Crocker and they shared their lives together for many years. Three children, Karen Leerdam, Kevin Crocker and Katrine Crocker were born to this union.

In July 1991, she married Keith Willis Jennings and to this union she gained an extended loving family which includes sons Terrence Jamel Jennings and Keith Peanut Jennings.

Adonia held several job descriptions and believed that whatever you choose to work at "Be the best at it"! She was for many years an elder care provider as well as a child care provider. With that care she brought compassion, affection as well as a sensibility related to care giving.

From a young age, Adonia developed and always maintained a sense of fashion and style that has left a lasting legacy within her family and friends. She was a great cook and family members and friends can attest to that. She could be out spoken but those that knew her well knew there was going to be a truth about what she was speaking out about.

Adonia was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She offered her wisdom when people sought her advice. She loved getting the family together whether for events such as picnics in the park, the beach or just a good ole front yard cookout. And let's not forget celebrating her birthday! It was always a well thought out event. Her parties are famous. She will be remembered for her enthusiasm for life, her courage, her smile, her diva style, her sassiness but most of all she will be remembered for the love she had for her family.

She leaves to mourn; her sisters Pearlita Leerdam Pannell, Norma Leerdam Harden (Nathaniel Harden) and her brother Glanville Leerdam (Josephine Seaman Leerdam) She leaves to mourn her devoted children Karen Leerdam, Kevin Crocker and Katrine Crocker (James Johnson). She leaves to carry on her legacy her grandchildren Kareem, Kelvin, Kristopher, Michael, Karyn (Kayla), Christian, Kimora, Khalil, Kiany and Khamari. Her great grandchildren Skyla, Christian, Savion, Levi and Eli. She also leaves to mourn loving nieces and nephews that are too many to name who reside in New York, St. Thomas Virgin Islands, Atlanta, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, California and Minnesota. Adonia leaves to mourn her numerous friends and all who held a special place in her heart. If you knew Adonia then you know that you're one of those that held a special place in her heart.

# Order of Service

Processional.....Evangelist Connie Thomas  
Family and Friends

Invocation

Hymn.....Blessed Assurance

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Solo.....Natalie Oatman

Acknowledgement of Messages of Sympathy

The Reading of the Obituary

Moments of Reflections.....(2 minutes please)

Solo.....Bro. Moses Moore

Eulogy

The Benediction

Final Viewing

Recessional

## **Interment**

Forestgreen Cemetery  
Morganville, New Jersey

## **Repast**

After the burial please join the family for the repast and fellowship at the:  
309 Lafayette Avenue Community Room • Brooklyn, NY 11238  
Entrance on DeKalb Avenue between St. James and Grand Avenue

## **Pallbearers**

*Khalil Crocker • Kareem Leerdam • Keith Jennings*



### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of Adonia Leerdam-Jennings acknowledges with great appreciation the many acts of kindness, sympathy and love shown to them during this time of bereavement.*

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