

*Home Going Service For*  
*Maxine Cornelius Harris*



*Sunrise: April 4, 1942*

*Sunset: June 21, 2019*

**Service**

***Tuesday, July 2, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.***

**SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH**

**12-16 W. 108th Street • New York, NY 10025**

# Obituary

*I MADE IT HOME. I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU ALL KNOW THAT I MADE IT HOME. THE JOURNEY WASN'T AN EASY ONE, BUT IT DIDN'T TAKE TOO LONG. EVERYTHING IS SO PRETTY HERE, SO WHITE, SO FRESH AND NEW. I WISH THAT YOU ALL COULD CLOSE YOUR EYES AND SEE IT TOO. PLEASE TRY NOT TO BE SAD FOR ME. TRY TO UNDERSTAND GOD IS TAKING CARE OF ME ... I'M IN THE SHELTER OF HIS HANDS. HERE THERE IS NO SADNESS, NO SORROW, AND NO PAIN. HERE THERE IS NO CRYING AND I'LL NEVER HURT AGAIN. HERE IT IS SO PEACEFUL WHEN ALL THE ANGELS SING. I REALLY HAD TO GO NOW.... I'VE JUST HAD TO TRY ON MY WINGS.*

## ***A TIME TO BE BORN***

*MAXINE C. HARRIS WAS BORN ON APRIL 4, 1942 TO THE LATE ELLIOTT J. HOWARD AND JUANITA TUCKER HOWARD IN OCALA, FLORIDA. AT THE TENDER AGE OF NINE DAYS OLD, MAXINE MADE HER JOURNEY TO NEW YORK CITY WHERE SHE WAS REARED BY HER MATERNAL AUNT, WILLIE TUCKER ALFORD, WHO SHE AFFECTIONATELY CALLED "MAMA".*

## ***A TIME TO LIVE AND LEARN***

*MAXINE ATTENDED NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL, AFTER GRADUATION SHE WORKED AT KNICKERBOXER HOSPITAL. LATER SHE JOINED THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHERE SHE WORKED FOR 26 YEARS UNTIL HER RETIREMENT. MAXINE ENJOYED HER LIFE WITH TRAVEL, SPENDING TIME WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALWAYS HAVING A KIND WORD FOR EVERYONE SHE MET.*

## ***A TIME TO DIE***

*MAXINE CORNELIUS HARRIS DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2019 AT 4:42 A.M.*

## ***A TIME TO MOURN***

*MAXINE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER SISTER: DOROTHY HOWARD AND GRANDCHILD: ERIC L. HARRIS, JR.*

*SHE LEAVES TO MOURN HER LIFE FIVE CHILDREN: FREDERICK M. HARRIS, NEW YORK; ERIC L. HARRIS (LAWANDA) OCALA, FL; MICHAEL B. HARRIS, NEW YORK; TROY L. HARRIS, AND TRACEY D. HARRIS, NEW YORK; FOUR SISTERS LILLIAN J. PIERSON; FRANCES D. SIMPKINS, PATRICIA BENNETT, AND VIVIAN HOWARD ALL OF OCALA, FLORIDA; GRANDCHILDREN: PATRIKA BOONE, OCALA, FLORIDA, MONICA (COURTNEY) HOPKINS, OCALA, FLORIDA; DIONTE' (STEPHANIE) HARRIS, OCALA, FLORIDA; ANTONIO LLOYD, WELDANNE (LELAND) SCALES, EUGENE CROUCH. GREAT GRANDCHILDREN: SAFAR, DEVIN, DIONTE' JR; DESTINEE, KEARIA, KELSEY, KOURTNEI AND COURTREAZ; A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, COUSINS AND SORROWING FRIENDS.*

Order of Service

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PROCESSIONAL AND FINAL VIEWING

INVOCATION

HYMN OF COMFORT #248 ..... "HOLD TO GOD'S UNCHANGING HAND"

OLD TESTAMENT - PSALMS 23..... MINISTER

NEW TESTAMENT - JOHN 14:1-7 ..... MINISTER

PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... MINISTER

SOLO

REFLECTIONS..... GRANDKIDS

REFLECTIONS FROM SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH ..... DEACON

READING OF CARDS AND RESOLUTIONS..... CHURCH CLERK

READING OF OBITUARY..... FAMILY MEMBER

SELECTION/SOLO

EULOGY..... PASTOR KEITH W. ROBERSON, I

~~~~ COMMITTAL ~~~~

BENEDICTION..... MINISTER

RECESSIONAL..... MINISTER

Interment  
Cypress Hills Cemetery  
Brooklyn, New York

# *I'm Free*



*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *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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