In Loving Memory of



Joan Crawford Tyler November 21, 1930 - October 4, 2019

Service Friday, October 11, 2019 - 5:00 p.m.

MARTIN'S HOME FOR SERVICE

48 Elm Street • Montclair, New Jersey

<u>Obituary</u>



Joan Crawford Tyler who was born November 21, 1930, departed this life on Friday, October 11, 2019. She was the eldest daughter of Maryland and Edna Harris of Macon, North Carolina.

Joan began her formal education in Littleton, North Carolina, where she and her sister, Gloria primarily lived with their maternal grandparents on their farm. Their mom, Edna moved to New Jersey to increase her opportunities for employment. Although, it was a hard life at times, the girls enjoyed helping on the farm and had fond memories and lots of stories to tell about their experiences living on the farm.

As the girls became teenagers, their mom relocated them to Montclair, NJ, where they lived and attended Montclair High

School. Joan later attended secretarial school.

Joan soon met Charles "Buddy" Tyler, also from Montclair. Buddy was drafted into the army, where he held the position as a military police officer. Upon returning home, Joan and Buddy were married and continued to live in Montclair.

In 1956, they were blessed to welcome their first child Ronald (deceased). Within a few years, they moved to East Orange, New Jersey where their daughter Jean was born. After spending several years as a homemaker, Joan had a desire to return to work. She was employed with several insurance companies as a secretary. She later retired from Benisch Insurance Company in East Orange, NJ.

The family enjoyed spending quality time together, which included many family vacations, day trips and golf outings. After retirement, Joan and Buddy enjoyed vacationing with friends and family and soon golf became a regular recreational activity. After multiple golf visits to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, they decided to relocate and retire to this vacation destination in 1995. Later that year, Buddy passed away in November. Despite the devastating loss, Joan gradually began developing new friendships and continued to play golf and travel. She also enjoyed going to the beach, sewing, reading and word searches. Joan later developed an interest in painting at the nearby senior center. Painting became a big part of her life, she even created an art room in her home and sold two of her paintings at an art show. She also really enjoyed spending quality time with her grandson, Tyler. You could frequently find them having a very competitive game of Chinese checkers.

In October of 2018, Joan relocated back to New Jersey and stayed with her daughter, Jean until moving into a senior apartment in Piscataway, NJ.

Joan is survived by her daughter; Jean,1 grandson; Tyler,1 sister; Gloria Harris, 1 half-sister; Patricia Henderson, nieces and nephews; Brian, Bruce, Tracy, Shelly, Judy and many other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude

Invocation

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection

Obituary

Musical Selection

Message of Comfort

Recessional



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

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The family of **Joan Crawford Tyler** wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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