In Loving Memory of



Mary H. Palmer

Sunrise January 10, 1950 Sunset April 2, 2020

Reflections of Life



.Mary was born in Brooklyn, NY on January 10, 1950 to her parents Marion Alleyne & Elbert Quick. As a young child her parents relocated to Mariners Harbor, Staten Island where she went to elementary school and graduated from McKie high School. Once her older siblings and parents passed away, she became the matriarch of the Quick family. She gladly assumed the leadership role of bringing the family together for events and reunions, giving guidance and counsel to her siblings, in-laws, nieces, nephews and the whole family.

Mary meet her husband George Palmer at the age of 13. They became great friends as their fathers were friends and co-workers. George went away to Vietnam and when he returned, they were married. From their union came two children, a son George Palmer Jr. (fiancé Elenore Davis) and a daughter Kuandika Jack (and husband Brian). All of them had special relationships with Mary. George and Mary decided to move the family to NJ where they purchased a home and settled in Somerset close to George's siblings.

Mary worked for the New York Stock Exchange for 20 years. Upon retirement she started several businesses as an entrepreneur to supplement her income and care for her family. One of her businesses was named "You Got it Maid" where she and her staff provided cleaning services to businesses and residences in Central New Jersey. Her other business was "Nails on Wheels", where she would do manicures and pedicures at her client's homes. She was a very successful business woman and loved being able to help those employees under her hire.

Mary was an advocate for Black empowerment. She attended local community marches against violence, and in Washington D.C, including the Million Women's March and Million Family's March. In addition, Mary was a strong advocate against police brutality. She attended a march for Sean Bell in 2007, and was even featured on the news speaking against police brutality. Mary was passionate and vocal against unfair treatment of Black people. Mary attended the Eric Garner march in Staten Island with her grandchildren to show them the importance of fighting for equal justice.

Mary enjoyed concerts, comedy shows, casinos, cultural events and playing the pick 4. Mary had a knack for meeting celebrities and a variety of entertainers, so much to the extent she has a photo album dedicated to her pictures with celebrities. Mary has met entertainers like Muhammad Ali, Joe Frazier, The Temptations, The Whispers, DL Hughley, Earth Quake and Joe Jackson, just to name a few. Mary also enjoyed attending

Broadway plays, musicals, shows at the Apollo Theater and NJ-PAC, where she would get the crowd rocking with her clapping and singing resulting in everyone else joining in.

Mary was the kind of person that made everyone feel special and she loved her family dearly. Her signature greeting when she answering the phone of her loved ones was "Hey Boo Boo, showing just how much she truly adored her family. She was blessed with grandchildren, Phillip (Martha), Kory, Brianna, Jibri and Justin, and great-grandchildren Danny, Mathew, Paulino, Zachary and Kai and she was very present in their lives. Everywhere Mary went, she would show pictures and tell people about her grand and great grandchildren. Over the years she participated in all their events, birthdays, sporting events, graduations, weddings, and if you name it, proud Grandma or GG Palmer was there in the front row cheering them on.

Mary had a thirst for life, for living it in the fullest. She liked cracking wise jokes. She was known for throwing historic backyard summer BBQ's. Mary had a huge backyard and a huge heart to match. Her smile would light up the room. Family and friends would come from near and far to celebrate. Mary was a dancer and the life of the party. Hosting these BBQs

made her happy and brought joy to all that attended. To take full advantage of life and what it had to offer, she and George enjoyed traveling and taking trips with family and friends. They also enjoyed exposure to various cultures and going into the city or church outings and bus rides with friends and family to visit cities, restaurants, the theater, and museums. Mary was also very involved with the Senior Citizen's Group of Somerset. Her and George joined the softball team, and took memorable trips to Toronto, New Orleans, and Georgia.

Mary had the privilege of celebration two milestone events earlier this year. In January she celebrated her 70th birthday with a blast. Then, in February she and George celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends. Mary and George had a love that lasted over 5 decades. They had something special. George was her Boo, and Mary was his Tiki.

Mary departed this world in a style that was her own as she was one of a kind. She left here on Thursday, evening April 2nd in the arms of the love of her life – her husband. She said George, come hold me – and he did, and in the comfort of his arms, in peace she left us.

Mary leaves behind, not to mourn but to cherish fond memories three sisters, Deborah Quick, Staten Island, Violet Sims, Pittsburgh and Tina Minor, Cleveland, three brothers, Dennis, Elbert (Brenda) and Marcus Quick of Staten Island. In addition, sister in laws, Suzette Malachi, Somerset, and Annette Palmer, Easton, Pennsylvania, Jackie Quick-Lumpkins, South Carolina, Rita Petrizzi, and Bunny Alleyne of Staten Island, and Margo Cosby of Virginia Beach. Daughter in-law Phyllis Moore of Somerset, Aunt Nelly and Uncle Billy, and a host of nieces and nephews from the very large Quick and Palmer clans. Mary was predeceased by her parents, brother David, and sisters Virginia, Nancy and JoAnne.

Order of Service

Processional

Recessional

Opening Hymn	"His Eye Is On The Sparrow" Keisha Cohen
Scripture Readings Old Testament- Isaiah 41:10 New Testament - Matthew 5:3-8	
Prayer of Comfort	Minister Tony
Reading of the Obituary	Brian Jack
Poem to Grandma	Brianna Jack
Reflections Family/Friends	Kuandika Jack
Musical Selection	"It Is Well With My Soul" Keisha Cohen
Eulogy	.Mary H. Palmer and Rev. Cooper



The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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