

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!*

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Marion Jacobs** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our family during this our time of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!

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In Loving Memory of



Marion Inez Jacobs

Sunrise
September 27, 1958

Sunset
August 19, 2020

Service

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 - 11:00 a.m.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME
256 Rosa Parks Blvd., Paterson, New Jersey
Reverend David Holder, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Marion (Pokie) Jacobs was born on September 27, 1958, in Paterson, New Jersey, to the late James and Bernice Jacobs. She entered eternal rest on Wednesday morning, August 19, 2020, at Lehigh Valley Hospital, East Stroudsburg, PA.

Marion was educated by the Paterson Public School System and was a proud alumni of Eastside High School, where she graduated in 1977. She continued her education by earning her Associates Degree in Business from Passaic County Community College.

In the early 80's Marion was employed by B & C Radiator as the Office Manager and remained there until hired by Grand Union in their corporate office in Elmwood Park, NJ. She was later promoted to the Head of the Correspondence Department, where she enjoyed interacting with all the vendors, which provided her the opportunity to test out products before they were sold in stores. She was an employee for over 20 years until 2001 when Stop and Shop acquired them.

Pokie met her life long companion, Stanley Gentry, in the mid '80s. After a few years of dating, they were engaged in 1988. Although they were never married, Marion and Gentry built a good life together. When Stanley retired in 2004, they moved to Middletown, DE.

Pokie wasn't an outgoing person; however, she loved to entertain. She would have dinner parties, tea parties, girls' night out, and so on. Sunday dinners were more like Thanksgiving Day with her famous macaroni and cheese, potato salad, cornbread, and baked ham. Everything was always prepared and displayed on the finest china and crystal stemware. Let's not forget the deviled eggs and beautiful platters with olives in crystal bowls. Pokie loved to dress up; she was such the lady! She adored crystal figurines and Mother of Pearl jewelry. Her daughters would often tease her for wearing her "Sunday's Best" on Tuesday.

When Marion retired, she devoted her life to her grandchildren. She never missed an event, game, hospital visit, or a phone call. There's nothing she wouldn't do for any of them. If that meant throwing the football, dance parties in the living room, playing dress-up, carnivals and funnel cakes in the summer, making home fries, grilled cheese sandwiches, or cinnamon apples in the morning, and weekly trips to the Dollar Store. Gammy, as her grandchildren would call her, was the best grandmother any kid could ask for.

To know Pokie was to love her. She was kind and gentle. If she had it, you had it. Her strength, love, tenacity, and sacrifice will never be forgotten. Whenever you were around her, you were guaranteed to have a good time. Pokie was the life of the party.

Proceeding Marion in death is James Jacobs (father), Bernice Jacobs (mother), Patsy Gales (sister), Steven Jacobs (brother), and Keith Jacobs (brother).

She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughters Tyra Jacobs and Rashida Jacobs-Stewart (Lawrence) of Bushkill, PA. Grandchildren Dominique Jacobs, Diamonique Jacobs, Rhasaan Jacobs, Kyra Jacobs, Kyree Jacobs, Genesis Jacobs-Stewart, and Emmaus Jacobs-Stewart. Sisters Judith Dow (Norfolk, VA) and Sharlene Jacobs (Paterson, NJ), Life partner, Stanley Gentry (DE) and Bonus Daughter, Valerie Gentry (MD), a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Order of Service

Music Interlude

Scripture..... *Old Testament ~ Psalm 23*
New Testament ~ John 14:1—6

Prayer Of Comfort

Musical Selection..... Tanita Reams

Acknowledgements..... Dr. Charla Holder

Reflections Of Life..... Dr. Charla Holder

Remarks.....*Lindsey Jacobs & Le'Shea Jacobs – Nephew/Niece*
Judy Dow & Sharlene Jacobs – Siblings
Diamonique Jacobs & Rhasaan Jacobs – Grandchildren
Tyra Jacobs & Rashida Jacobs-Stewart – Children

Musical Selection..... Safe In His Arms

Eulogy..... Rev. David Holder

Recessional

Interment
Arlington Cemetery
Kearny, New Jersey