# In Loving Memory of Our Beloved





**Dianne** was born in Birmingham, Alabama on June 8, 1960 to the late Milton Craig, Sr. and Rosetta Craig. She was the fourth child; one who was full of dreams and ambitions.

She was a graduate of Fairfield High School and received her Bachelor's Degree from the City College of New York and her Master's Degree from Brooklyn College. She was employed with the City of New York for nearly thirty-five years, where she adopted a family of friends and sisters whom she loved dearly.

Dianne deeply loved the Lord and church played a major role in her life. She was a member of the Merrick Park Baptist Church, Jamaica, NY and Sunday School

teacher in training.

In 1979, she met her husband Billy while in the Job Corps and after moving to New York to be with him, they married on November 10, 1980 and together, they had two sons, Billy Dupree and Travis Deon. Later, she was blessed with a beautiful granddaughter, Alexis Billie whom she loved dearly.

She lived a full and happy life sharing love and a strong, closely knitted bond with her four sisters, Carol McCullan, Bettye Hairston, Delia Osborne and Linda Patrick; and their husbands, Albert McCullan, Gregory Hairston, Aubrey Osborne (deceased) and Douglas Patrick.

Her nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins were all special to Dianne as she often found ways to let them know of her love that she so graciously shared.

We thank God for Dianne and she will live in our hearts forever.



The Evergreens Cemetery Brooklyn, New York

To My Loving Wife in Heaven

Our time together was special So were the memories we made And although you live in Heaven now Those memories never fade

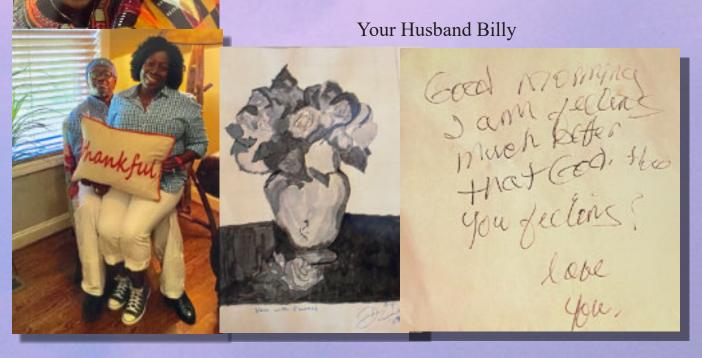
I bow my head in silence And remember my wife with love And I know that you are up there Watching from above

Every day is a struggle
And nothing feels the same
And my heart breaks a little more
Every time I hear your name

You'll always be remembered And time may heal my heart But a piece of me is missing Since the day we had to part

If Heaven is for Angels
Then I know that's where you'll be
And I know you will be waiting
When Heaven calls for me

I Love and Miss You with All of My Heart



#### Wonderful

Your Wonderful Short Life Should & Will Always Be Celebrated. You Was A Wonderful Wife, Daughter, Sister, Mother, Grand Mother & Friend. You Motivated The People Close To You To Be Great And For That We Should Never Take That Away, My Beautiful Queen... Thank You Mommy For Always Keeping Me On The Right Path. Even When I Fall Off Track, You Say The Right Things To Make Me Get Right Back, "Put God 1st And All Shall Fall Into Place". You Always Encourage Us To Pray And I Still For Ever And Ever. Thank You Wonderful Soul. God Definitely Has An Angel And So Do We. We Love You Wonderful! Only Word That Comes To Mind. Thank You Mommy. Love You.





There's no way I can pay you back, but the plan is to show you that I understand: you are appreciated.

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## My mother's love

These songs we loved say it all

Summertime has come and gone The leaves are slowly falling The other day my mother heard The voice of Jesus calling He said 'Come home with Me my child, I'll take away your strife' Mama went to sleep on this side And woke up in Paradise



What if you call Me and don't feel Me near you will you still

What if I fell you to let go out of everything that you think you have to hold, will you trust Ma?

Yes, Fit trust You Lord

What if it costs my Ms. yes I'll trust You Lord

What If I lose the very thing I love so dear, yes Fil trust You

Somebody say " yes I'll trust You Lord"

Somebody say "yes"

C'mon put your hands up say yes. I'll trust You Lord. I'll trust You, I'll trust You





Although our worlds are different now Or is that just how it seems For I see you when I close my eyes Because you're always in my dreams

I know you're up in Heaven And looking down on me And when I look up at the stars I know that's where you'll be

Even though I miss you
You're not too far away
Because my heart is full of memories
And I treasure them everyday

Our time on Earth was special But it's only the very start So please keep watching over me While we're not so far apart

Someday the time will come
When I no longer feel the pain
That is the day when Heaven calls
And we will meet again

We will forever love and miss you so much,

Your sisters, Linda Patrick, Delia Osborne, Bettye Hairston and Carol McCullan



In Memory of My Loving Sunt

As one year comes closer, we still grieve the loss of you. I will forever hold and cherish the moments we shared on this earth. Those special memories of you will always bring happiness and precious peace to me. When I feel alone or filled with sorrow, I just remember your love and glorious grace. My heart is filled with precious memories and I'm at peace knowing that you are with me each and every day. I know that you are at peace now and in a place where you are free and as John 11:25 says, "I am the resurrection and life. He who believes in me will live, even though they die.

Until we meet again, my love for you will never end.

Miss you so much, Your Niece "Ma" Whitney R. Osborne

In Memory of My Loving Sunt

If I had a flower for every time I thought of my aunt, I'd walk through that garden forever.

If I had sunlight for every time I saw her smile, We'd see never ending summer days together.

If I had a dime every time I heard her laughter, I'd have riches beyond any earthly treasure.

I have memories of her living the best life God could give his children, And I'll walk through that garden of memories forever.

We will forever love you,

Your Niece, JaLinda Patrick



Dianne was a special person who showed compassion and cared for each and every one of us in the Bureau. She worked at the Health Department for nearly 35 years, starting in December 1985 in Personnel as the assistant to the Director of Personnel, moving to the Environmental Health Administration in 1990 as the Office Manager, then to the Bureau of HIV/AIDs Prevention in 1995 as a Program Coordinator and in 2000 she was then promoted to Director of Administration. In 2005, she moved to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program as Director of Administration. Dianne came to the Bureau of Immunization in 2007 as the Program Management Official where we have been fortunate to have her wisdom and guidance for the past 13 years. Dianne was committed to the Health Department's mission, made time between her long hours and community commitments to obtain a Master's in Public Health degree in Public Health Policy from Brooklyn College in 2014. It is not an understatement to say that Dianne knew just about everyone throughout the Agency and was loved by everyone she touched.

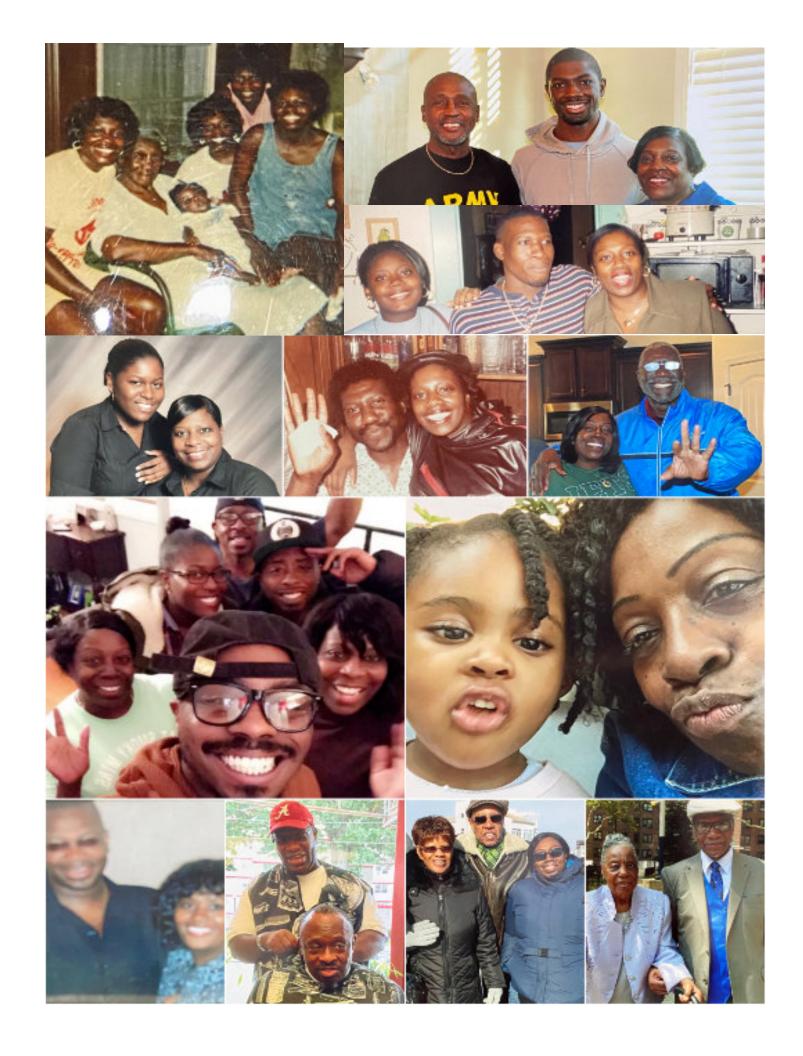
On a personal note, Dianne was such an incredible person and I am grateful for the 13 years I got to work with her. She was my guiding light and helped me to become a better person and a more compassionate manager. We had a special connection and were in sync with our vision of the Bureau and priorities. I valued her advice and her wisdom. I knew if she disagreed with me, then I had to rethink my position, because Dianne was always right! Her warm smile and infectious laughter always made the day brighter. Dianne's spirit continues to be an important influence in the Bureau and in my life. I think of her every day and will always love her.

Jane Zucker, MD, MS



#### CO-WORKERS AT NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH











Love Always, From Your Husband, Sons and Granddaughter

### Acknowledgments

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May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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