

*In Loving Memory of*



*Juanita J. Boyd*

Sunrise  
February 25, 1933

Sunset  
May 24, 2021

Service:  
Wednesday, June 2, 2021 - 11:30AM

**MCCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME**

4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466

**Bishop Jasper Rolle Jr., Officiating**

**Rev. Kevin Wade, Organist**

# Obituary

**JUANITA JEANNETTE LEE BOYD** was born February 25, 1933, in Petersburg, Virginia to the late Josephine Juanita Cook Lee and James Henry Lee.

Juanita was raised in Petersburg, Virginia by her late grandparents Martha Washington and Joseph Cook. She was surrounded by family members that loved her dearly. She was her grandmother's favorite child who taught her how to be a woman of virtue. She traveled alone to New York City to visit her parents during the summer. Often finding herself in the last car of a train sitting on a crate eating a lamb sandwich. After graduating from Peabody High School, she attended Virginia State University then she migrated to New York City where she then attended New York University and worked at Gimbel's department store.

In the late 1950's while living in the Bronx, she met her late husband Marion C. Boyd. Through this union of over 60 years, they were blessed with three children and two grandchildren. Family was very important to Juanita. She was an early riser who sipped on her morning coffee while taking care of her family. It was important that her family had everything they needed.

Juanita, known as Ms. Boyd was well respected in her community. Serving on the executive board of the Tenant's Association for years, she was often teased by her family as being the "Mayor of Moore Houses". She was the voice of change. She just didn't speak about it, she made it happen! Ensuring residents had equal access to safe and clean facilities, establishing a tenant patrol in all buildings, organizing fun day festivals, and during the 70's and 80's at the start of the Hip Hop era she supervised young adult parties in the community center. She gave unselfishly of her time.

Juanita enjoyed life. She loved to travel, often taking road trips, riding on the auto train, or flying to a resort location with family. Annually she would go to Orlando, Florida and visit Disney World with Epcot Center being her favorite place; Montreal, Canada, and Las Vegas, Nevada to gamble and see Evan her son. However, Atlantic City and the Poconos were her two favorite local destinations. She had a sense of humor, enjoyed playing cards, sewing, and cooking especially her delicious red rice and sweet potato soufflé. In addition, she loved to dance and listen to music. Even in her later years, you'd often find a smile on her face while tapping her feet to old school R&B with the artist Prince being one of her favorites.

On May 24, 2021, JUANITA JEANNETTE LEE BOYD went home to her eternal father. She is survived by her daughters Marion and Sean of Bronx, New York; son Evan of Las Vegas, Nevada; granddaughter Nicole and grandson Daniel of Bronx, New York; niece Cherice Lee (daughter of late brother Richard Scott Lee) of New York, New York; special cousins: Ruth (Topp) Hallmond of Bronx, New York; Karen Andrews-Lang (Raymond), Genesis Lang and Raymond Jr. of Wedgefield, South Carolina, Allan Andrews of Midwest City, Oklahoma; Keith McGaha of Bronx, New York as well as a host of relatives in Petersburg, Virginia, other cousins, family, and friends.

*Gone but not forgotten. In our hearts forever.*

# *Order of Service*

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**Organ Prelude**

**Processional**

**Selection**

“In The Garden”

**Scripture Readings**

Old Testament Proverbs 31:25-31 - Raymond Lang Jr.

New Testament Revelations 21:3-7 - Genesis Lang

**Prayer Of Comfort**

Bishop Jasper Rolle Jr.

**Selection**

“Blessed Assurance”

**Tributes**

(2 Minutes Please)

**Reading Of Obituary & Acknowledgements**

Ruth Hallmond

**Selection**

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

**Eulogy**

Bishop Jasper Rolle Jr.

**Committal & Benediction**

Bishop Jasper Rolle Jr.

**Remarks By Funeral Director**

**Final Viewing**

**Recessional**

*Final Disposition:*

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Woodlawn Cemetery, Bronx, NY

# *A Heart of Gold*

**A heart of gold stopped beating,  
Two shining eyes at rest,  
God broke our hearts to prove  
He only takes the best,  
God knows you had to leave us,  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
The day He took you home.  
To some you will be forgotten,  
To others, just part of the past,  
But to us who loved and lost you,  
Your memory will always last.  
-Author unknown**

## *Acknowledgments*

**The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.**

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