

*In Loving Memory of*



*Jo-Ann Joiner*

**December 14, 1955 – July 2, 2021**

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021 - 4PM-7PM**

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# *Obituary*

**Jo-Ann Joiner** was born in Brooklyn, New York on December 14, 1955 to Ann Riley a southern mother from South Carolina and Norman Riley a West Indian father from Kingston, Jamaica.

Jo-Ann later on attended the New York City School system with finishing through with a Bachelor's in social work. Pursuing her happiness she later on gave birth to three sons, Curtis, Nishawn and Nathaniel Joiner. As she felt her family was incomplete she then mothered along Shermane Scott and two beautiful daughters, Tanisha and Shantese Riley-Joiner.

Jo-Ann also known as "Jojo" was a beautiful soul. A spirit full of inspiration, wisdom and laughter that made people want to hear more and more jokes and stories, with the compassion to sit and listen. She lifted hearts by making others comfortable in the smallest ways. She welcomed everyone into her home with a pure heart. She was a phenomenal mother, caring sister and a traditional grandmother.

On July 2, Jo-Ann was called to be united with her beloved mother and sisters. The last of the bunch of five sibling sisters totaling leaving behind a host of family and friends, four brothers, Jason, Steven, Kirk and Joseph Riley; along with seven grandchildren, Yamil, Jadyin, Jason, Josiah, Julius Joiner and Riley and Rory Sealey.

Jo-Ann taken too soon, fought many battles and still stood tall. She fought profusely getting her message across: "Hold your head high during difficult times, which shall be temporary, always move forward strive for better days to come." Her daughters also nicknamed her "Abundance". Take care, be bold be strong. As the heavens rain down on us, while welcoming you queen, we're sending our love and prayers up for you angel of peace. Until next time, love family always...

# *Order of Service*

## **Processional**

“Higher Love (Kygo & Whitney Houston)  
“Fill Me Up” (Tasha Cobbs Leonard)

## **Selection**

“Break Every Chain”  
Rev. Tyrone Richardson

## **Scripture Readings**

## **Prayer**

## **Selection**

“My Love Is Your Love” (Whitney Houston)  
Terrance James

## **Remarks**

## **Obituary**

Tanisha Riley-Joiner

## **Selection**

## **Eulogy**

Rev. James Kilgore

## **Committal**

Rev. James Kilgore

## **Viewing**

## **Recessional**

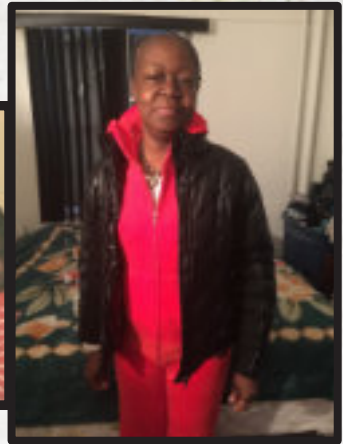
## **INTERMENT:**

Forest Green Park Cemetery  
Morganville, New Jersey

# Mother

Timeless moments of minutes you spent caring for this family you created. You sacrificed for us so that we could have a beautiful life. Your creativity and passion of sense crafted and molded us to be great. Your helping hands and forgivable heart open many doors for people who didn't have. The minute you made us laugh so hard, our stomachs would ache terribly. When you made us cry with our aching hearts full of happiness. Tightly you gather your arms of restless hugs. Sensible kisses full of joy, love and happiness was your toxin. You are ours, to hold to keep, to resemble to be. We love you Mommy. Rest in paradise....

Love Sam/SRJ



## Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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