# In Loving Memory of Jocelyne Marie Lourdes Brutus

Sunrise January 19, 1960 Sunset August 19, 2021



<u>Service</u> Wednesday, September 1, 2021 • 11:00 a.m.

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#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting
Sprinkling with Holy Water
Entrance Procession
Opening Prayer

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings
Homily - Jose Guerrido
General Intercessions

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation to Prayer
Silence
Song of Farewell
Prayer of Commendation

#### PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Fresh Pond Crematory
Middle Village, New York

### Obituary

**Jocelyne Marie Lourdes Brutus** was born on January 19, 1960 in Port Au Prince, Haiti. She was the daughter of the late Solange Brutus. Jocelyne was born with Sickle Cell Thalassemia which would bring some challenges throughout her life.

Both Solange and Jocelyne sought better opportunities outside of Haiti and moved to Brooklyn, New York. Jocelyne attended Prospect Heights High School which she displayed her interests in science, and the arts. She would later on attend City University of New York College of Staten Island majoring in Nursing.

While attending college, she worked as a home health aid to an elderly family as she pursued her dream of becoming a Nurse.

Jocelyne was a child of god and known Jesus. She would attend Catholic Mass on Sunday. Sometimes she would attend both the Haitian Creole and English services.

On her off days, she would spend time at the pubic library studying for her nursing exams. Some days she would go to the Botanical Gardens with her sketch pad drawing people in the park. One day, while she was at the Gardens, she was drawing a Security Officer in the park and that's how she met her first love, Jose Guerrido Senior. who she would later marry and have two beautiful children with.

As her children reflect on her life, they noticed in the early years she made sure to hide her illness from them. She did this to give her children the opportunity to have a normal childhood and memories of going to the park, zoo, movies and their favorites places in Coney Island where they enjoyed the rides, the beach and some of the food such as cotton candy, peanut brittle and her favorite candy apple. She would also make it a point to take annual trips to Haiti for her children to visit family and to learn more about their Haitian culture.

Jocelyne made it a point to be supportive in her children's academics and afterschool activities. She was also known as "The Karate Mom". She would open her home to her children's classmates. This is where she would have the opportunity to share her knowledge with them. At the same time, she also filled their bellies with some home cooked Haitian cuisine.

Jocelyne lived a life of services to others from working with the elderly and the sick, to mentoring her children and children's friends. Her mission ended when her Mother Solange told her is okay to rest and come on home on August 19th, 2021.

Her legacy that she left behind are her son Jose and daughter Tatiana Guerrido. Jocelyne was blessed with six grandchildren: Jade, Jayden, Shyheim, Jocelyne Kathleen, Isis, and Isabella.

Jocelyne was grateful to the Soltero family, the Baptiste family, Cheng family and the WMAA family who watched over her, while her children was serving in the military. She was loved by all that knew of her. She will be greatly missed.

## Come To Me

God saw she was getting tired And a cure was not to be So He gently closed those loving eyes And whispered "Come to me" The days of toil and nights of pain The weary hours have passed The patient gentle worn out frame Has found sweet rest at last. Day and night we stood by her And saw her in pain, Anxiously awaiting her cure But our waiting was in vain. God who knoweth all things best Eased her suffering, gave her rest *She is gone but not forgotten,* Never will our memories fade Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger Round the place where she rests.

#### **Acknowledgements**

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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