



*In Loving
Memory
of*

Harry Arnim III

Sunrise: December 25, 1985

Sunset: April 20, 2016

Service

Monday, May 2, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

405 West 125th Street • New York, NY 10027

Father David Nolan, Officiating

Obituary

Born on Christmas Day, 1985, at St. Luke's Hospital in New York, **Harry Arnim, III**, is truly an amazing gift to his family, friends, and everyone else he would encounter throughout his life. Being the first infant born on Christmas day at his hospital, he was feted with gifts and so much love. From his birthday on, he knew he was special and would return this love to his family, friends, and teachers throughout the years. He was such a true joy and inspiration to be around, and it would be hard to find a person he didn't make feel better in his presence.

Even though Harry had learning and physical difficulties since birth, he was extremely inquisitive and intelligent by nature. A few years after his impediments were identified, Harry attended a program for children with learning needs at Columbia University's Teachers College. He was so adored by the teachers, staff, and parents and was able to learn sign language to better communicate. Harry also began to make strides with walking, and showed us that he could overcome many obstacles with his sheer determination, strength, and love of life. He was so beautiful and cherished because he was able to teach others how to live life to the fullest, despite the inevitable challenges we must all face in this world. Harry attended various public schools as he became older, ultimately attending the Manhattan Occupational Training Center (MOTC), where he made many friends, attended his prom, and even did some vocational work. At 21, he graduated from the New York City public school system and attended the Special Citizens program in Riverdale for a few years.

Travel, particularly by Amtrak train with his family, was a first love for Harry, and he did much of it since he was born. He loved St. Augustine, Tampa, and South Florida, as well as visiting his maternal homeland of Jamaica by plane. He and his family would enjoy getting in the car for quick trips around the city and Long Island. When his mom became ill, the family stayed on Long Island a lot and had a beautiful environment to share love and life. Harry would continue to travel for almost three decades. The Arnim family found such peace during these trips, and there are no words to describe the serenity and love that was achieved during these outings. The family will cherish these memories forever.

As a result of this increased exposure, Harry became a savant and had great geographical talent—he could name many capitals of other countries and U.S. States. His intelligence began to increase as he became older, and utilized computers and iPads to help further increase his education. His literacy was underestimated, as he could read, write, and spell better than many adults with a formal degree.

Harry loved fashion and pillowcases, in particular. He also loved television—WABC being his favorite—and kept a meticulous entertainment schedule for the family to adhere to. Harry directed us and led our family in his own way. He gave to our family so much, and gave us all a reason to keep walking with our heads high, despite the ups and downs. Harry inspired because he aimed, to the best of his ability, to live a normal life. The gift is that he was able to mature and become a man despite his challenges, and gave back to his family and the world such important lessons about life. Harry will be eternally missed by his family, community, and all others who were fortunate to make his acquaintance. While we are deeply aggrieved, we celebrate his wonderful nature and spirit. Full of mirth, joy, and an indomitable spirit, he made a name for himself and will be forever missed beyond words.

Harry is survived by his father, Edward; his brother, H. Chris, his sisters, the late Sharon Thompson, and Arlene, Beth, Jennifer and Rosemary; his aunts, Edna Monica, Catherine and her partner, Robert; as well as Margaret and her spouse Carol; his uncles Jose; as well as John, Robert, and Theodore, and their spouses, Eladia, Meybol, and Brita.

He also has many beloved cousins, including Michele, Linette, Melissa, Vanessa, Michael, Sandra and her spouse Carl, Dawn, Juliet, Claudia and her spouse Earl, Cassandra, Charmaine, Oliver, Andrew, Morris, Kitanya, LaVerne, Carl Jr., Chris, Brandon, Alton, Adam, Alexis, Isaiah, Joshua, Jordan, Julian, Cameron, L. L. Howell, Christine Laird, Audrey Wong, and many, many more.

Harry is predeceased by his brother, Edward Jr. and grandfather, Edgar. He is also predeceased by his grandmothers, Lucille and Dorothy, grandfather, Harry, uncle, Fitzroy, sister, Sharon, and mother, Ingrid—all of whom adored him so much and helped to give him a foundation of unshakeable love that surrounded him throughout his life.

Order of The Funeral Mass

Introductory Rites

Greeting
Sprinkling with Holy Water
Placing of the Pall
Placing of Christian symbols
Opening Song
Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
Gospel
Homily
Intercessions

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation Song
Preparation of the Gifts
Continuation of the Mass as usual
Communion Song

Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer
Silence
Song of Farewell
Prayer of Commendation
Recessional Song
Procession to the Place of Committal

Interment

*Long Island National Cemetery
Farmingdale, New York*

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Heaven Has Gained An Angel

*As you complete this temporary journey you have embraced our hearts
Yes we mourn but realize this is where your life truly starts your smile sparkled greater
than silver and gold. We're willing to let go of your hand so that God can grab hold .
We will always love you as you have continued to love us all we ask now is that you look
down while you are above us we are grateful that God put us in the midst of your
presence we breathe with your memory and walk with your essence. The Lord is our
Shepherd He tends to us as sheep and mends the hearts that are weak until one day we
can shake his hand and sit at his feet we don't think of you as a loss to our family that
remains. We cherish you as a beautiful angel that heaven has gained!*

-Author unknown

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May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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