# In Loving Memory of







Sunrise: April 1, 1947 Sunset: February 4, 2017

> <u>Service</u> Monday, February 13, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. **UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.** 2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

### <u>Obituary</u>

**Jesse Sanders** was born on April 1, 1947 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Hazel Sanders in New York, New York. The beloved Jesse Sanders passed away at his home on February 4, 2017.



Jesse graduated in 1965 from Thomas Jefferson High School, in Brooklyn, New York. He was drafted into the United States Marine Corp in 1968 in which he served honorably and fought in the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Purple Heart for his wartime heroism and valor. The other awards that Jesse Sanders earned for his service to the country and the nations, are what the pictures are in his obituary.

After returning from the war, Jesse Sanders worked for the city of New York until he retired in 2005. The seventh of ten children, Jesse was always full of life, energy and tenacity. His love of music and the beautiful notes that rang from his harmonica was appreciated and loved by all. He also loved the game of basketball and played very well. He used the time he spent on the basketball courts to mentor many in his community that referred to him as "Pop".

Jesse Sanders was the father and stepfather of seven children, Michael, Kendrick, Erik, Valerie, Sandra and George. He is preceded in death by one son, Jarrod; his daughter, Vickie; and his siblings, Hazel Sanders, William Sanders, Joseph Sanders and Linda Jackson. He is survived by the love of his life of 35 years, Patricia; his beloved sisters, Beatrice Sanders of Far Rockaway, NY, Doris Brown of Century, FL and Anne Mae Gilliam (George) of Edenton, NC; his beloved brother, James Sanders (Rosa) of Rochester, NY; Inez Robinson of Brooklyn, NY; his dedicated niece, Theresa Asuen of Far Rockaway, NY; his very faithful nephew, Shine McClinton of Bronx, NY; and countless other nieces, nephews, and extended family members who will all miss him dearly.

Jesse Sanders will be remembered as a bright, shining light in various communities in which he served, lived and loved. He will be greatly missed by all who loved him and knew him.

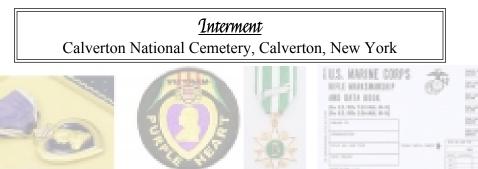


## Order of Service

Funeral Procession	Family
Prayer of Comfort	Elder James Brown
	Tina Hawkins
	Theresa Asuen
Rifle Qualif	ication Badges Cynthia Robinson
Reflections	(Please keep at 2 minutes or less)
Acknowledgement of Cards	Linda Jackson
PoemPistol Quali	fication Badges Pat
Reading of Obituary	Taneeka Williams
Solo	Cynthia Robinson
Eulogy	Elder Curtis Douglas, Jr.

#### Final Viewing

#### Benediction



## Missing You

From Patricia

*I sit alone now in the darkness of despair.* I cry my silent tears, *My* heart is broken into a million tiny pieces. The silence is deafening to my ears. The darkness frightens me, The shadows climb the wall. I hear footsteps walking, Passing through the hall. The loneliness surrounds me. It takes my breath away. This is the pattern of my life. Since that awful, dreadful day. Without a clue Without a hint Of what was yet to be, God called you home To be with Him And took you away from me. I walk, I talk, I carry on When the sun pokes out its head But when darkness falls And evening comes I cannot go to bed. For this is when I miss you most of all When I curl into a little ball And crv those silent tears. Watching the shadows, And missing you.



Good-Bye Brother From Jesse's siblings:

Heaven has called upon you today, leaving so many words left to say. But now it's too late, for your time has come, words unspoken; I am sure everybody has some. Regrets and wishes are probably there too, but lasting forever are memories of you. I was there when you needed a place to stay, just like you would be there for me night or day. There have been many times that we disagreed, but we were there for each other in time of need.

> Repast will follow burial at 1305 Augustina Avenue Far Rockaway, NY 11691

### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

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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