



*In Loving  
Memory  
of*

*Joy Horton*

*Sunrise: February 20, 1943*

*Sunset: May 24, 2017*



# Obituary

**Joy Horton**, born February 20, 1943 was the daughter of Louise and Levi Morris and sister to Robert Morris and Carolyn Smith, both of whom she deeply loved.

Joy was married to Perry Horton and their union produced three children, in order of age, Michael, Ginger and Jeffrey. Though their marriage did not survive the test of time, Joy had an enduring love for Perry, and often referred to him as her "soulmate."

Joy was an accomplished teacher, ever compassionate, socially conscious and forward-thinking. Joy established her own supplementary school program for children called "New Direction Child Care," as she found the New York School system remiss and inattentive to the needs of inner city school children. Through love, and with much patience and effort, Joy vastly improved the quality of education and care for the children whom she taught and nurtured. In her care, her students began to excel. Not only did Joy teach the fundamentals of education, which are reading, writing and arithmetic, but she also imbued those in her care with a much-needed sense of self-esteem which our disjointed society is not keen to provide. Joy cared about people and through counseling, selflessness and love, she enhanced the lives of everyone around her. She truly was a "light on a hill."

Above all of her accomplishments, Joy was most proud of being a child of God through Jesus Christ whom she acknowledged as her Lord and Savior. She was a proponent of Christian values.

Joy is survived by: her brothers, Robert (wife, Sheila) and June; her sister, Carolyn; her sons, Michael (wife, Renita) and Jeffrey; her beloved daughter, Ginger; her grandchildren, Tiffany, Terrence, Tiana, Jason, Aaron, Ajah Michelle, Arianna, William Oliver, Alaiya and Alaiya; six great grandchildren; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.

Service

*Thursday, June 1, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.*

**GETHSEMANE BAPTIST CHURCH**

771 Fairmount Place • Bronx, NY 10460

*Order of Service*

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

*Remarks*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

*Interment*

*Rosedale Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey*



## 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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