

In Loving Memory of



Bartola Suarez

Sunrise: October 8, 1954

Sunset: June 10, 2017

Service

Tuesday, June 20, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.

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Obituary

***Bartola Vanessa Suarez** was born on October 8, 1954 in Harlem Hospital to the late Daisy and Raphel Suarez. Vanessa, as she was known to family and friends, was the youngest of three older siblings, Julio, Joyce and Chrissandra. She departed this life on June 10, 2017.*

Vanessa graduated from Aquinas High School in Bronx, New York. She went on to attend Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Georgia where she earned her Associates degree in Organizational Management and Leadership. After graduating she came back to New York City, where she met her first husband, JB Renfro. After this union ended they remained friends and supporters in each others lives.

Vanessa always determined to further her education proceeded to earn multiple degrees in Social Work and Law while attending Fordham University and New York Law School. She was apart of many community and school organizations which she took great pride in.

In the mid 70's, Vanessa became reacquainted with her childhood friend, Stephen King. The two soon took their friendship to the next level and fell in love, from the union they received a blessing in the form of a son who they named Khalid King. Four years later they became the proud parents of a daughter they named Qadirah King. After completing her schooling, she worked for Harlem Hospital for over ten years. She has made and helped a lot of people in the community. She went on to start and own multiple businesses. While starting her construction business she met a carpenter, Joel Bonds. After a few years of friendship the two decided to get married.

She leaves to mourn yet celebrate her life: sister, Joyce Dick; two children, Khalid King and Qadirah King; husband, Joel Bonds; and nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

Order of Service

Processional

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

*Mt. Holiness Memorial Park
Butler, New Jersey*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

*To laugh, to love, to work or play,
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

My life's been full, I savored much.

*Good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

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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