Celebrating The Life of

Joan Thomas

January 10, 1937 - April 14, 2022



Service Information

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2022Wake Service: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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725 East Gun Hill Road • Bronx, NY 10467

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2022

Mass: 9:30 AM

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

754 E. Gun Hill Rd. • Bronx, NY

Father John Aurilia, OFM Cap., Pastor

<u>Interment</u>

Kensico Cemetery Valhalla, NY

Order of Mass

Reception and Blessing of the Body Placing of the Pall Placing of the Cross Opening Song Opening Prayer	How Great Thou Art
LITURGY OF THE WORD First Reading - Wisdom 3:1-6-9 Responsorial Psalm (SUNG)	(Jannett Chickorie)
Second Reading - Romans - 6:3-9	
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST Offertory Song Preparation of the Gifts Prayer over the Gifts	Ave Maria (Schubert)
Preface Holy, Holy Eucharistic Prayer Communion Rite	
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Preface Holy, Holy Eucharistic Prayer Communion Rite Our Father Sign of Peace Reception of Holy Communion	

Obituary

Joan Elizabeth Thomas (Barbara) was the first child of Pearl Samuel and Clifford Thomas. One of three siblings, Joan was born in Kingston, Jamaica on January 10, 1937. She is the proud and loving mother of Jacqueline (Jackie) and Paul. A graduate of Immaculate Conception High School in Kingston, she served as the president of the Immaculate Alumnae Association, New York chapter for several years.

Joan immigrated to New York in 1967 and attended Monroe College where she studied Data Processing. After graduating she got her first and only job at Professional Examination Service, where she rose through the ranks and retired after working for 27 years. During that time, she earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from City College of New York. After graduating, Joan became such an active member of the CCNY Black Alumni Association that she was asked for her office extension. Not one to sit still, she was Secretary, Treasurer and President of the Black Alumni which led her to be on the Board of Directors for the CCNY Alumni Association. She was also on the Scholarship committees of both Alumni groups.

As a devout Catholic, Joan joined the parish of Immaculate Conception Church in 1988 and was involved in many of its activities. She donated a lot of her time, talent, and treasure to the church as not only as President of the Ladies Guild but as a member of the traditional choir and as a cantor.

Joan had a passion for travel, music, and dancing. She has traveled to five of the seven continents and visited six of the eight modern wonders of the world. Joan could always be counted on to open and close the dance floor with such finesse and grace in many cases she out danced younger folks. She was a wonder to behold. She also loved to sing Karaoke and covered different genres.

Mommy, Joan, Barbara, Auntie Joan, will be missed by her children, Jackie and Paul, sister, Marie (Annette), nieces and nephews, cousins, other family members and lifelong friends.

Joan was loved and will be dearly missed.



O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hands hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:
Then sings my soul, my
Savior-God, to thee:
How great thou art! How
great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my
Savior-God, to thee:
How great thou art! How
great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

And when I think that God,
his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can
take it in,
that on the cross my burden
gladly bearing
he bled and died to take away
my sin; [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim. "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

Jesus Christ is ris'n today,
Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day,
Alleluia!
who did once upon the
cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss.
Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly
King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and
grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and
save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing.

Sing we to our God above,
Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love;
Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heav'nly
host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy
Ghost, Alleluia!







Acknowledgement

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