



“IF ROSES GROW IN HEAVEN”

*If roses grow in heaven,
Lord please pick a bunch for me,
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.
Tell her I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of **Hattie Gardner** wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Hattie Gardner

SUNRISE: FEBRUARY 15, 1949 - SUNSET: JULY 31, 2024

FUNERAL SERVICE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2024 - 11:00 A.M.

BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME

630 SAINT NICHOLAS AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10030

REVEREND DR. JAMES B. LOGAN, *Officiating*
ALSON FARLEY, *Musician*

Order of Service

- ORGAN PRELUDE** Alson Farley
- INVOCATION** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
- SELECTION** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
- SCRIPTURE READING** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
Old Testament..... Ecclesiastes 3:1-4
New Testament..... 1Thessalonians 4: 13-14
- PRAYER OF COMFORT** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
- SELECTION** "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"
- REFLECTIONS** Family & Friends
(2 Mins. Please)
- OBITUARY** Sharonda Gardner
- SELECTION** "When We All Get To Heaven"
- EULOGY** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
- COMMITTAL** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
- BENEDICTION** Reverend Dr. James B. Logan
- FINAL VIEWING** Funeral Director
- RECESSIONAL**

Interment

KENSICO CEMETERY
VALHALLA, NEW YORK

Obituary

Hattie Gardner of 100 Benchley Place, Bronx, New York, passed away on July 31st 2024, at the age of 75. A very loving, caring and thoughtful person, Hattie was loved by all who knew her.

Hattie was born on Feb 15, 1949, in Charleston, South Carolina to Peter Turner Sr. and Elizabeth Myers Rainey. She attended Jennie Moore Elementary and Laing High Schools in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

Hattie arrived in New York City in 1967 at the age of 18, with the desire to pursue a new life. In 1969 she met and married Johnny Gardner, a young man from North Carolina. They lived in the communities of both Harlem and The Bronx, New York.

Hattie is survived by her husband Johnny Gardner, two sons, Rodney and Kevin Gardner, two grandchildren Olivia and Owen Gardner and her daughter-in-law Sharonda Gardner, wife of Rodney.

Hattie, the eldest of 10, loved her siblings Peter, Jerry (deceased), Jimmy, Beverly, Vivian (deceased), Brenda (deceased), Maxine, Anthony, and Ada immensely. Likewise, she had all the love in the world for her nieces, nephews, cousins and friends alike.

Always a hard worker, Hattie worked in the supermarket industry for 39 years. She was a believer in God for sure as she always professed, praised and worshipped him.

Hattie was a giver in every sense of the word: compassionate, trustworthy, reliable, and selfless. Her ability to connect with all those who needed a helping hand was amazing as she helped everyone she could. She expressed her love language through food and enjoyed cooking for everyone. She just loved to feed people.

Hattie never met a stranger. She touched so many lives and meant so much to so many people. She was a genuine soul, a lively spirit and a realist that lived life on her terms. Hattie would often say I know what's in my heart. Those who knew her knew exactly what that represented.

Hattie will be missed immensely by all who had the privilege of knowing her, but she will not at all be forgotten!