



Hyacinth Maureen Brown

February 7, 1939 - November 22, 2020

Hyacinth Maureen affectionately known as Aunt Cynth, was born February 7, 1939 in Kingston, Jamaica to Gersham and Gertrude Clarke. Cynth was preceded in death by brothers Roy Grey, Trevor Clarke (Adella), and sister Fay Clarke Johnson (Horace). She was the second eldest child and leaves to mourn: her brothers, Desmond Clarke (Audeth) and Raynald Clarke (Linda), as well as foster sisters Marjorie Thompson and Patricia Surdine (Albert). Cynth is also survived by 13 nieces and nephews, and several other relatives.

Hyacinth, and all of her siblings, were born in the inner city of Kingston, Jamaica. In 1961, after our father's retirement, the family, with Hyacinth's help, bought a home in the newly developed Harbour View community. This became the family home where all of us grew up and was held for many years thereafter. From the early days, because of the age difference, Cynth acted like a second mom to our youngest sibling, Raynald. She would try to tell him what to do, and he resisted as best he could because "you are not my mother". Of course, she got her way most of the time.

Cynth attended All Saints Primary School and Excelsior High School, where she excelled. Upon graduating Excelsior, she began working at Jamaica Public Service (JPS). She was always driven to further her education and in 1964, she migrated to Montreal, Canada to pursue her undergraduate studies at Sir George Williams University. There, she graduated with a degree in

Business. She returned to Jamaica in 1969 and worked for Things Jamaica as well as The Daily News.

Cynth loved the arts. She was a regular pantomime goer, along with her good friends Leoni Forbes and Joyce Campbell. She used this passion for the arts to open a crafts boutique in Discovery Bay. Still, the call to further her education was strong and she again departed Jamaica to study at the University of Manchester, England, where she earned her Master's degree in Business in 1975. She then returned to Jamaica and worked at the National Housing Corporation, while she taught part time at University of Technology (formerly CAST).

She migrated to the United States in late 1977 and lived in Laurelton, New York. While there, she worked as an analyst on Wall Street for several years and then worked with British Airways until her retirement.

She married Desmond Brown in August 1988 and moved to Westbury, NY in 1991, where they lived for about 14 years. They then moved to Ormond Beach, Florida to celebrate retirement. After her divorce, she continued to live in her Florida home until 2011. Sadly, she eventually developed Lewy Body dementia and had to be cared for in an assisted living home as well as by her sister, Fay, and brother-in-law, Horace.

Recently, it was planned for her to move to Georgia to be closer to family, but shortly after being transferred to the assisted living home in Atlanta, she became less responsive and eventually passed away on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

Although Cynth did not have children, she carried a love for all of her treasured nieces and nephews as though they were her own. She regularly cared for Omar and Sherrese after school, since her Laurelton home was a

few minutes walking distance from her brother Desmond's home. She had a cherry tree in her back yard, which was a favorite summertime meeting place for both Desmond's children and the neighborhood children, to pick and eat fresh cherries. She was a lover of education, always insisting that her brothers and sister challenge their children to become the best that they could be. For her, she felt that attaining an Undergraduate Degree was basic requirement for all of her nieces and nephews. She always encouraged "her kids" to read books instead of electronic activities, hence that ever present book intertwined with all of the other presents.

Cynth loved a good debate, especially on politics. She also loved to play board games. Once she was at Raynald's house playing ludo with some of his friends. One of them was about to drop heaven less and born less and Cynth killed him (Cynth was safe at the time)! Raynald's friend was soooo upset, we all thought that she made a bad play. Cynth just looked seriously at everyone and loudly proclaimed

"But I Want to Win!!!"

That incident was more than twenty-five years ago, but every time, as recently as last October, that Raynald meets up with this particular friend and plays ludo he would always remind us... "Bwoy Raynald yu member dat time wen yu sistah did..."

Cynth was a GREAT and wonderful sister, aunt, cousin, sister-in-law and friend to many. She accomplished a lot from very little during her lifetime and she would always reach back to give a helping hand.

We love her. We miss her, but we have fond memories of her, which we all will

cherish and hold dearly.

Rest In Peace and Love.

Cemetery Details

Eternal Hills Memorial Gardens

3700 Stone Mountain Hwy
Snellville, GA 30039

Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a [Click Here For Live Stream in memory of Hyacinth Maureen Brown](#)*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - December 04, 2020 at 05:30 PM

NT

*My condolences to all the family :(
Lots of love Naomi & family in Wolverhampton xx*

naomi tulloch - December 05, 2020 at 08:35 AM

SG

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sandra Grey - December 14, 2020 at 07:46 AM

Lloyd Gooden

“ *Deepest condolence & sympathy to Desmond Clarke & Family on the passing of his sister Hyacinth Maureen Brown from Lloyd Gooden & Family*

Lloyd Gooden - December 05, 2020 at 02:21 PM

SH

“ It was a pleasure knowing Cynth, A fond memory of her was when she invited our family to a garden party at her Westbury home, We got to talking about food and I mentioned that I once had leftover cranberry sauce from Thanksgiving and did not know what to do with it so out it went, She then gave me an idea which to this day I remember. "Just mix it with orange juice and it makes a nice drink.

Thanks for that recipe and RIP my dear!

Sharon

Sharon - December 05, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ God saw your struggle and stretched out his arms. You will always be in our hearts rest in peace from Jacqueline Tulloch.

Sandie Tulloch - December 05, 2020 at 08:17 AM



“ Aunt Cynth,
May the winds of heaven blow softly and whisper gently in your ear.
How much we deeply love and miss you.

Nicole Tulloch Moore and family

Sandie Tulloch - December 04, 2020 at 10:25 PM

AC

*may your soul rest in peace
Remember always. Dell*

Adella Clarke - December 05, 2020 at 12:59 PM

T(

“ Sending my deepest condolences to my Cousin Hyacinth Sleep on sleep on Till we meet again. Fr Ted and Madge Tulloch

Ted and Madge Tulloch (Cousin) - December 04, 2020 at 06:31 PM

ST

“ The only time a goodbye is painful Is when knowing i can't say hello again. Very fond memories That I will cherish Fun and laughter in florida.Sleep on Aurt cynth Rest in sweet paradise Luv always Sandie Tulloch Xx

Sandie Tulloch - December 04, 2020 at 06:23 PM

EF

“ We are saddened by the loss your family as encountered. Continue to rely on God and know that he hears your prayers, because he cares for you. Truly sorry for your loss.

Evans family - December 04, 2020 at 04:36 AM

GF

We are deeply saddened to learn of Cynth's passing. She was extraordinarily kind, brilliant, beautiful...inside and out. I will always treasure the special friendship we shared and will surely miss her warm smiles and sisterly advice. I pray that the Clarke family will find some comfort in the wonderful memories of her.

With love and heartfelt sympathies!
Generose Forrester-Knight and family

Generose Forrester-Knight - December 04, 2020 at 09:31 PM

SG

Dear Aunt Cynth, I will always remember the times that I shared with you while visiting you in New York, Long Island and in Florida, what fun we had. I remember the phone call received back in 2012 when you were taken into the home.....sad times...but I was so happy to be able to visit you last year 2019 at long last..with so many hurricanes hitting the USA...I had been trying to visit for a few years...when I booked in 2019 God told me it was time...so glad I made it.....your a wonderful soul and I am sure heaven is rejoicing for your presence. We will meet again one day... love my love...your niece Sandra Grey

Sandra Grey - December 14, 2020 at 07:43 AM