



Allan Alwyn Duncan

February 18, 1941 - June 25, 2016

Allan Alwyn Duncan was born to Hilda and Joseph Duncan on February 18, 1931 in Georgetown, Guyana and departed this life on June 25, 2016.

As a young man in Guyana, he worked at the Demerara-Essequibo Railway and then in commercial mining at the Demerara Bauxite Company, Ltd. He later transitioned to a post as a prison officer where he would supervise inmates working at the Prime Minister Linden Forbes Sampson Burnham's home. He held this position for several years and during this time socialized with the Prime Minister on numerous occasions.

In 1969, he and his daughters, Audrey and Claudette, migrated to the United States of America to join his loving wife Anorma Molvina Duncan. Once settled, he assumed management roles in New York's booming textile and garment industry: first at Lymon's Carpet Company in Long Island and then at Young Reflections and Stuart Alan Fashions, Ltd., in Manhattan's garment district.

When not at work, he tended the garden of his sprawling Brooklyn backyard. Even just prior to his passing, he looked forward to "turning up the soil" every year. It was his favorite form of exercise and his efforts yielded flowers, fruits and vegetables, including squash, cherries, and apples.

Also one to exercise his mind, Allan was a habitual reader of The New York Daily News (and would become upset when it was not promptly delivered). He also avidly read self-help and natural healing books which could be found throughout the house.

A life long music enthusiast, Allan swooned to the vocal stylings of the Rat Pack, Nat King Cole, and Billy Eckstine and delighted in the sounds of reggae, calypso and rhythm and blues.

His gregarious and warm-hearted nature sprang to life at family gatherings at his home. On those occasions, he would proudly preside, with drink in hand, at his custom made bar which was always stocked with top shelf liquor of all kinds.

He was a true conversationalist who was fond of a spirited political discussion. He was especially excited when Barack Obama - whom he prophetically referred to as "the blessed one" - ascended to the presidency. Nevertheless, his favorite topic of conversation was his youth in Mackenzie, Guyana. It was there where he fell head over heels for Anorma. He was not at all embarrassed to tell everyone that it was love at first sight - and that love endured for forty-nine years.

Allan, who was also lovingly called Brother A., PaPa, Uncle Alwin, and Dunks, will forever be remembered for his laughter, generosity, advice, and these wise words: don't sweat the small stuff.

He is survived by his daughters: Audrey and Claudette; grandson Lawrence Bratton, Jr.; sisters: Daphne, Joyce, Karen, Rhona, and Michelle; brother-in-law Barrington Ward; and a host of loving family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels
607 North Conduit Blvd.
Brooklyn, NY 11208
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info@gracefunerals.com
<https://www.gracefunerals.com>

Funeral Service

JUL 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Burial

JUL 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

Greenfield Cemetery
650 Nassau Rd
Uniondale, NY 11553

Tribute Wall



“ *Allan Alwyn Duncan*

November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *With Heartfelt Sympathy to the Duncan Family,*

May you rely on the God of all comfort to help you to endure the days ahead.

*" God is our refuge and strength. "
(Psalms 46:1)*

The Duncan's - July 05, 2016 at 08:56 AM



“ *What an extraordinary man I met thirty years ago. Always stand out tall above all crucial and difficult situations. A man driven by his belief in God, a man of great character always has the courage to do things beyond the norm to help his fellow man, a man whose journey was always exciting. However brother A, God says it is time to sleep go have your rest you have ran a good race, well done my friend farewell.*

Barrington Ward (Brother in law)

Barrington Ward - July 02, 2016 at 06:59 AM

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“ *A man of honor and great integrity, the best brother one can ask for. What a loving, caring and giving heart! Oh yes, Brother A the man that took God's guidance in paving the path for my family and I, and other families. He made it possible for us to share in this great land of opportunities. What a great man! As my heart mourns, I am contented that he died knowing how much I love him and appreciate all that he has done for my family and I. Thank you God for sharing brother A with us. May my loving brother's soul rest in eternal peace!*

Karen Duncan (sister)

Karen Duncan - July 02, 2016 at 06:33 AM

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“ *CHARLES CASTANEDA purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Allan Alwyn Duncan.*



CHARLES CASTANEDA - June 28, 2016 at 02:00 PM