



## Candy Pilgrim

April 24, 1956 - November 12, 2018

Candy Corrine Pilgrim Jr., along with her twin brother, were born on April 24, 1956 in Brooklyn NY, to the late Candy (Sr.) and Eugene Pilgrim. She was affectionately known by her twin, James (Popman) as “Tutta”. On November 12, 2018, at the age of 62, Candy peacefully departed this life surrounded by family at Kings County Hospital Center. As she grew ill, Candy continued to show her strength by expressing her love for her family and her will to fight.

Candy grew up in the Bedford Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, or as she would put it “the Stuy”. She was the oldest of seven children, which included three sets of twins and a single baby brother. As the oldest, Candy took on a maternal and protective role over her siblings. Although Candy was close to all her brothers and sisters, she shared a special bond with her twin Popman. They were known for their daring and adventurous personalities.

Candy attended P. S. 129, and graduated from J.H.S 57. Shortly after graduating, Candy gave birth to her first child, Tasha Pilgrim (her soul). As a young mother, Candy joined the workforce to gain her independence and provide for her daughter. She enjoyed shopping with and for Tasha, sometimes making weekly trips to buy matching sneakers. She moved to the East New York section of Brooklyn, where she lived for over 40 years.

Candy held a variety of positions in the workforce including Factory Worker,

Home Attendant, Grounds Keeper with the NYC Parks Department, and served food for NYC Housing Authority. In 2004, Candy became a Bus Matron for the developmentally disabled. Through her kind heart, she was able to leave a lasting impression on the lives of her clients and families.

Candy met the love of her life, James Cowan, when she walked into the butcher shop he co-owned in Brooklyn, being drawn to his charismatic personality. The two fell in love and were together for over 30 years. Through their love, Candy gave birth to her youngest child, Jermaine (her heart). She also opened her heart to James's son and daughter, Lamont and Latoya McPhatter, and their children. Nothing brought Candy more joy than the news and birth of her grandbaby, Taylor Pilgrim. The mere mention of her name brought a smile to her face. She cherished the times watching her run around, showing off her photos of her and receiving video calls from Taylor calling her "Grandma".

Candy was extremely loving and protective over her family and children. She was best known for her compassion, love of cooking, feeding others, had an eye for fashion, always catching a good deal, and giving nicknames to those around her. Candy was blessed with the gift of using her words to get her point across and leaving a positive lasting impression. She enjoyed listening to oldies like Al Green, watching TV Ministers, talking to friends and family on the phone, and just seeing those around her happy.

Candy leaves to celebrate her life: her children, Tasha, Jermaine, and Emily (daughter in law) Pilgrim; her siblings: James, Lela, Linda (Weldon), Denise (Harris), Darrel Sr., and Wilma (Irby); her granddaughter, Taylor; Sister-in-Laws: Linda and Yanick; her nieces Danielle, Brianna (Waterton), Darlene, Raven, Robyn (Irby Organ) and Jennifer; nephews: Kareem, Jerry (Harris) Jr, Darrel Jr., William (Weldon), Davonte, Kaelin, Carmelo; a host of great-nieces and nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Candy is preceded in death by her parents, Candy Sr. and Eugene Pilgrim; brother, Eugene Smith; nephew, James (Young); and love of her life James Cowan.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **19**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels  
607 North Conduit Blvd.  
Brooklyn, NY 11208  
(718) 235-8088  
info@gracefunerals.com  
<https://www.gracefunerals.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV **19**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## burial

NOV **20** (ET)

Rosehill Cemetery  
792 E. Edgar Road  
Linden, NJ 07036  
(908) 862-4990

# Tribute Wall



“ *Candy Pilgrim*

November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *LaCrecia Fowler lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**LaCrecia Fowler** - November 19, 2018 at 05:10 PM



“ *Gigi Dauphin lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Gigi Dauphin** - November 19, 2018 at 09:30 AM



“ 🙏🏻 🙏🏻 🙏🏻 *Rest easy truly will be missed*



**Karinthia Houston** - November 19, 2018 at 03:38 AM

TP

“ *I swear am not ready 4 tomorrow to say goodbye*



Tasha Pilgrim - November 18, 2018 at 10:37 PM



*Candy you will be missed by all*

Beverly Pope-Smith - December 04, 2018 at 08:00 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



November 18, 2018 at 11:07 AM

GD

“ *Gigi Dauphin lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



Gigi Dauphin - November 18, 2018 at 08:17 AM

TP

*Thanks gi*

Tasha Pilgrim - November 18, 2018 at 11:31 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



November 17, 2018 at 09:23 PM



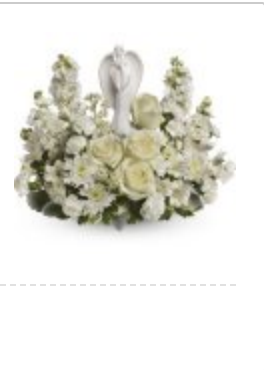
“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



November 17, 2018 at 08:37 PM



“ *Roberta D. purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



**Roberta D.** - November 17, 2018 at 09:57 AM



“ *Yolanda Aka Green Eyes lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Yolanda Aka Green eyes** - November 16, 2018 at 07:09 PM

TP

*Smiles*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:32 PM

YE

“ I will truly miss Ms Candy she named me Green eyes we sat outside for hours talking laughing she loved my 2 daughters and my niece and nephew she loved the kids She would shower them with gifts and money she was one special lady I'm tearing up right now her husband Mr jimmy showed me so much love I'm 🙏 For the family special thanks to her Daughter tasha for calling me and letting me know I could share a memory of this loving lady I love you Mr's Candy you will always have a special Place in my ❤️

**Yolanda Aka Green eyes** - November 16, 2018 at 07:07 PM

TP

*That's beautiful*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 11:33 AM

KA

“ *Karinthia lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Karinthia** - November 16, 2018 at 06:27 PM

TP

*Thank Cooder*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 11:33 AM

MH

“ With deepest sympathy as you remember Candy. May the peace of the Lord be with during this time.

*Malissia, Roberta, Leroy and family*



**Malissia Hines** - November 16, 2018 at 06:04 PM

TP

*Thank you*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:34 PM

DH

“ Dawn Hayes lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



**Dawn Hayes** - November 16, 2018 at 05:38 PM

TP

*Thank you*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:34 PM

LT

“ Lynda Thomas lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



**Lynda Thomas** - November 16, 2018 at 05:34 PM

TP

*Thank you*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:34 PM

TP

“ *I love when she got mad and I call her she act like nothing happen lol*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 16, 2018 at 04:38 PM

JP

“ *Me and my sis Candy spoke three to four times a day and she would be frantic is she couldn't get in touch with me I fussed with her on many occasions because I loved her and wanted the best for her I will truly miss her with all my heart and soul*



**jpilgrim84** - November 16, 2018 at 04:05 PM

KA

*Hey pop man this your daughter in-law I'm sending my love and prayers to you love you and see u soon take it easy she is resting now my Fav*

**Karinthia** - November 16, 2018 at 06:25 PM

DE

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Denise - November 16, 2018 at 12:28 PM

DH

“ I loved my sister. We didn't agree on some things, but she always looked out for me and loved me. May she Rest In Peace and rise in Christ's Glory!

Denise H. - November 16, 2018 at 12:22 PM

TP

“ Tasha Pilgrim lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



Tasha Pilgrim - November 16, 2018 at 08:34 AM

NI

“ I pray for strength to comfort the family in there time of need



Nikkie - November 16, 2018 at 04:05 AM

TP

*Thank you*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 11:35 AM



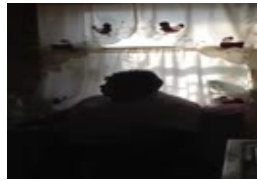
“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



November 16, 2018 at 03:24 AM

DH

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Denise Harris** - November 15, 2018 at 11:13 PM

DH

“ *Denise Harris lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Denise Harris** - November 15, 2018 at 10:13 PM



“ *When I first met you, Ms Pilgrim I felt right at home extremely comfortable. Felt like family from the moment I met you. I think the instant bond was because she reminded me of my moms in a way, she didn't play any games, and that's why so many people loved and respect her. You will be missed by me and many others.*



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**Sheila Holmes** - November 15, 2018 at 08:17 PM

TP

*Thanks Sheila she loved you*

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**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:36 PM



“ *Dario Rock lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



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**Dario Rock** - November 15, 2018 at 07:17 PM

TP

*Thanks rock*

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**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:37 PM

KA

“ ❤️



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**Karinthia** - November 15, 2018 at 06:33 PM

KA

“ *She was the realest person you could meet spoke her mind and was always Genuine with a heart of GOLD I WILL TRULY MISS HER MY FAV AUNT IN-law* 🥰🥰🥰🥰



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**Karinthia** - November 15, 2018 at 06:31 PM

TP

*Thank you*

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**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 12:37 PM

DD

“ *For my dear friend Tasha Pilgrim's mom, Candy Pilgrim. Rest In Heaven*



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**Danielle Danielson** - November 15, 2018 at 04:04 PM

TP

*Thank you*

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**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 11:40 AM



TP

*Thank you*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 06:26 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.*



November 15, 2018 at 10:52 AM

TP

“ *Tasha Pilgrim lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 15, 2018 at 10:40 AM



“ *Antionette Harmon lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim*



**Antionette Harmon** - November 15, 2018 at 10:01 AM

LT

“ Lynda Thomas lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



Lynda Thomas - November 15, 2018 at 09:44 AM

KI

“ Kim sent a virtual gift in memory of Candy Pilgrim



Kim - November 15, 2018 at 06:43 AM

KI

“ Kim lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



Kim - November 15, 2018 at 05:44 AM



“ I've only gotten to meet Candy a couple of times 😞 but what I will always remember her Beautiful soul and hearing her voice saying Hi Jennifer a thousand times as she spoke to Tasha ❤️ throughout the day. I will never forget Tasha taking excellent care of her mother through it all 😍🙏

Jennifer Lisbon - November 15, 2018 at 12:56 AM

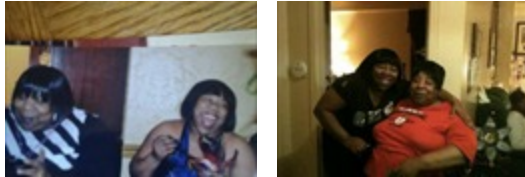
TP

*Thanks Jen*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 18, 2018 at 07:28 PM

TP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 14, 2018 at 11:32 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Candy Pilgrim.



November 14, 2018 at 11:11 PM

JP

“ Jpilgrim84 lit a candle in memory of Candy Pilgrim



**jpilgrim84** - November 14, 2018 at 09:33 PM

TP

*Going to miss having :many daily phone calls and still have something to talk about*

**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 14, 2018 at 08:45 PM

TP

*Your cooking kindness humor warth*

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**Tasha Pilgrim** - November 14, 2018 at 08:46 PM

SU

*HEAVEN NEEDED ANOTHER ANGEL & HE CALLED YOU HOME  
CANDY 🥺🥺🥺*

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**SUNNYMOON** - November 15, 2018 at 12:50 AM

JP

“ *Candy, my sis was loved by so many and Yiyi our honorable Mom was one of her favorite.*



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**jpilgrim84** - November 14, 2018 at 08:32 PM