



## Chandroowattie Harilal

June 19, 1941 - July 25, 2022

Chandroowattie Shelia Harilal was born at 56 Village, Corentyne, Berbice, Guyana on June 19, 1941, to Sanpattie and Heckland Seerattan. She was the youngest of nine children.

She was married to Arjoon Harilal, who died on February 7, 2020, a union of over 63

years. Shelia Harilal was the mother of six children, the late Paulo, Dorothy, Barbara, Shelly,

Prom, and Terry. She was the grandmother of 14 grandchildren: Randy, Danny, Davie Ann,

Kevin, Melissa, Terrence, Perry, Michael, Breanna, Kris, Alexander, Jordan, Matthew and

Cordelia and great-grandmother to five great-grandchildren: Samaya, Amelia, Adara, Asher,

Anabelle. She was the mother-in-law to Ellen, Selene and Carmen and two sons-in-law Rohan

and Chandi.

Shelia Harilal had loss her mother at the age of 4 and her father at the age of 14. She was

married at age 16 and by the time she was 24 years old, she already had six children.

Our mother was an exceptionally, extraordinary, remarkable individual, who

was a soft-spoken, introspective, intellectual lady, who could be described more as a Gentle Giant. She was determined to tackle life with a passion, but in a quiet, almost unspoken manner. Her tender-hearted, reserved style only added to the mystical charm she exudes. She believed the action transcended an individual and lived according to that philosophy. Shelia Harilal left her six children behind to join our father in the United States in 1970.

Life in the United States had presented its own set of challenges. Our mother had battled immigration, living in constant fright that she would return home as had some of her friends and co-workers. Despite experiencing numerous difficulties and challenges in her life, our Mother truly was a woman who had triumphed over adversities.

In 1974, Shelia Harilal brought her children to the United States. She had worked alongside our father in the tailoring business in the early years of their marriage. In the US, she obtained stable employment in the clothing industries, where she worked until her retirement.

She had to abandon her dreams of obtaining an education and pursuit of a professional career to provide for her family. Despite her lack of academic success, Chandroowattie Harilal had demonstrated a resilient nature in tackling many challenges. She was a self-taught woman who was an explorer, adventurer, philosopher, teacher, writer and a loving mother. She battled

all the difficulties in her path with grace and dignity and prevailed to be a trailblazer.

In Loving Memory Of Our Beloved  
Mother, Grandmother, Great-grandmother

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

JUL 29. 9:00 AM (ET)

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## Burial

JUL 29 (ET)

Maple Grove Cemetery  
15 Kew Gardens Rd #127  
Kew Gardens, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ *Chandroowattie Harilal*

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November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM

RS

“ It is with deep grief and profound sorrow that we say goodbye to someone who has been a part of our lives since birth. Aunty has been a steady force and guiding hand throughout our lives, always there to share the joys and tears. From the time she began living with our parents, she was more than an aunt. She was our sister, our friend, our mother and anything else we needed her to be. Many of us stayed with her at home at Drew Street at one point or another. Throughout the years, we all looked forward to our visits and were always welcomed with open arms. When she would visit Florida, there was always a fun time to be had. Her standing Publix order was ready and waiting for her arrival and the family would gather together to spend time with this remarkable woman. Whether it be weddings, birthdays, funerals or just phone calls, Aunty was a solid force in our family. Everyone, I mean everyone, knew that famous phone number by memory. There are no words that can truly describe what she has meant to each one of us individually and as a collective. Our hearts grieve and our tears flow, but we take comfort in knowing she has been reunited with her parents, siblings, and numerous other relatives as she entered the gates of Heaven to the sounds of the heavenly choir of the angels singing as our Savior said welcome home good and faithful servant, job well done!

*Rest In Peace dear Aunty. We love you and will cherish your memory forever.*

*The Shivrattan Family*



Ruiz Shivrattan - July 27, 2022 at 05:09 PM

SL

“ *Aunty was my second mother. She took care of me when I had Sarah.*

*She always welcomed us into her home. We enjoyed her company and her sense of humour. She was very generous, kind and intelligent. She was always learning and being a better version of herself. Thank you for all the lovely, cherished memories. You have earned your restful place in heaven.*

*Rest in Peace my dear aunt. Will miss you terribly.*

*Savit and James*

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**Savitree Lachman** - July 27, 2022 at 04:30 PM


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“ *Almighty and Everlasting God, losing someone you love so much suddenly is very hard. As we go through this season of mourning heavenly Father, we ask you to give us the peace that surpasses all understanding. Father, we rest knowing that your faithful servant is rejoicing in your kingdom. We thank you and magnify your name for loving them so much that you saw it fit to take them back home where we truly belong. In Jesus' holy name, we pray. Amen.*



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**Ru** - July 27, 2022 at 03:39 PM

 Sarah  
Lachman  
Wing

“ *Aunty Sheila was always like a grandmother to me. Whenever she was around, there was laughter and learning to be done. I loved how she led by example, having her adventures, even when it meant traveling solo. It's what empowered me to do the same. You'll be missed, Aunty!*

*Much love for you all,  
Sarah*

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**Sarah Lachman Wing** - July 27, 2022 at 03:23 PM