



Mr. Deonarine Jurakhan

September 2, 1939 - August 27, 2018

THE SOUL OF BHAI DEONARINE JURAKHAN HAS PASSED ON

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing on of the soul of Deonarine Jurakhan, popularly known as Bhai Jura. His soul left his body at approximately 9:05 last night. He is survived by his Dharma Patni Didi Renuka, his four children Nalo, Mala, John and Patrick, and his in-law and grandchildren.

I met Bhai Jura for the first time at the NYC Hillside Arya Samaj in 1985. I had just arrived from India. He and Didi Renuka welcomed me and since then they never ceased making efforts to ensure my safety and comfort. Bhai Jura became President of the Arya Spiritual Center in the mid 1990's and during his presidency, the Mandir in 144 Street was acquired largely because he personally contacted people for donations and loans. While Bhai Jura was Samaj President, Didi Renuka was head of the ladies' wing called the Mahila Samaj. They both worked tirelessly for the benefit of people who came to the society.

When Maharshi Dayananda Gurukula was established fifteen years ago in New York City, the Jurakhan family quickly assumed leadership roles and continued serving humanity at the Gurukula. Actively aided by Bhai Jura and her children, Didi Renuka ensures that devotees are fed a meal every Sunday morning at the Gurukula. The magnanimity that Bhai Jura has infused in his

family helps to keep social services functioning for people, and because of their contribution to social work, his in-law and grandchildren will be remembered for a long time.

I am currently on an Arya Samaj missionary tour in Trinidad and am returning to NYC on Monday. The last rites for Bhai Jura's body are expected to be performed during the coming weekend and most unfortunately I won't be arriving on time. I send my deepest sympathy to Didi Renuka and her entire family. We all bow to the legacy left by Bhai Deonarine Jurakhan. Namaste from Trinidad.

Cemetery Details

All Souls Crematory

72-02 Astoria Boulevard
East Elmhurst, NY 11370

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels
607 North Conduit Blvd.
Brooklyn, NY 11208
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Funeral Service

SEP 1. 9:00 AM (ET)

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Cremation

SEP 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Deonarine Jurakhan*

November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *Uncle Jura!*

I can write a book, give a long speech but in the end the only word I can say describes you is STELLAR. Because of you I have fabulous memories which I will always cherish. Love you and will miss you dearly. REST IN PEACE DEAR UNCLE.



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