



## Ms. Juanita Drisdom

August 23, 1947 - September 17, 2017

Juanita Drisdom was born in Brooklyn, New York in the summer of 1947. Daughter of Willie A Drisdom and Emily Perkins. Juanita's older sister was named Jacqueline Veronica Drisdom. Shortly thereafter Emily passed and Willie met, fell in love and married Irene Drisdom. This union produced 3 siblings named Quinn Drisdom, Deborah Drisdom and baby sister Shawn Drisdom. Juanita and stepmother Irene grew very close. Juanita took care of her until her death and took the baton and had now become the matriarch of her family dynamic. She took on the role of caretaker and provider with honor.

As a child Juanita was an astute student. She graduated top of her class from Central Commercial High School earning her certificate in Bookkeeping and making the Honor Roll. Juanita then went on to attend Hunter College and N.Y.U receiving her degree in Accounting.

Juanita worked on Wallstreet, Rockefeller Center and various other companies throughout the Metropolitan area. Juanita's ability to calculate numbers was unprecedented. To the average mind it was impossible but for those who knew her she was a mathematical genius, simply put. Juanita Drisdom was the type of person who never saw the obstacle...only the way around it.

In October of 1969 Juanita gave birth to her one and only loving son Shane

Drisdorn and shortly thereafter in 1975 moved to Louis H Pink Houses in East New York Brooklyn. She was a revered staple of her community. Juanita's impact to her neighborhood earned her the endearing title of "Ma" by everyone.

Juanita was a giving and supportive person to all who knew her and was always there to give wise and sound advice. Juanita always had a way of putting things in perspective without judgement. She had a kind heart but a militant disposition. She marched with Dr. King and later joined the Panther Movement. She loved her people, especially the youth.

Juanita was a devout Democrat to her core. She was so elated when Barack Obama became the 44th President.

Juanita was a loving sister to her siblings. Caring aunt to nephew Dorsey Drisdorn and adored relative to a host of extended family. Her presence will truly be missed.

Juanita overcame numerous obstacles in her life and was able to conquer them all. She was a great person to this world and now a shining star in Heaven.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Michael's Cemetery/Crematory

72-02 Astoria Blvd  
East Elmhurst, NY 11370

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **29**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels  
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## Funeral Service

SEP **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## **Cremation ( Private)**

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OCT 2 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



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