



Marjorie Kelly

August 29, 1933 - August 11, 2021

Marjorie Kelly was born and raised in Costa Rica, Central America to Oswald and Cleodyne Kelly. She lived her childhood days with her parents and siblings at her Grandmother's farmhouse in the community known as Waldeck in what she calls the most beautiful childhood any child could ever want, surrounded by fruit trees and rivers. Growing up, she developed a passion for books and became an avid reader of all types of books in both Spanish and English. She often said, reading is the best way to learn and travel the world. If you name a book, chances are she read it or heard of it.

Marjorie was a trailblazer in many aspects of her life. She was one of the first black female students on a campus at the University of Costa Rica, where she graduated as professor of primary education, while becoming a trailblazer in the process.

Marjorie worked for 12 years as a teacher in Puerto Limon Primary Girl School. She eventually travelled to New York City and returned to college to receive her license to teach Spanish at the High School Level. Known for her tenacity, Marjorie did not stop there. She continued her college education and earned an Associate's Degree in nursing from the Regents external Degree program of the State University of New York and a Bachelor of Science in Community Health from

St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn. She had the proud distinction of being listed on the National Dean's List.

Marjorie worked as a staff nurse at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center for 30+ years and then as a charge nurse of the various clinics. She remained as an Employee Health Nurse right up until the hospital closed in 1990. She continued to work at the Superior Career Institute in Manhattan, teaching Spanish. At that time, she also continued in the field of nursing by working as a visiting nurse for the Maternal Infant Assessment Unit at Family Care Certified Services of Brooklyn. Eventually, she was asked to work with the Community Family Planning Council as Head Nurse of the Brooklyn Clinic until retirement.

Marjorie was the Matriarch of the extended Kelly and Blenman family. She raised her daughter, Carol, and was a key supporter of her grandson, Jonathan's, development. Marjorie loved her family and enjoyed keeping in contact with all them from around the globe. She made frequent trips back home to Costa Rica to visit some of them and also travelled to other countries, including Europe.

She was an avid reader. Reading "a good book", then explaining to everyone why it was so good was definitely one of her more defining characteristics, amongst many. She loved her newspaper, "The Daily News". So much so that we got a subscription to it so she could enjoy it every day. Marjorie's home away from home was undoubtedly St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, where she lent her talents to many groups to which she belonged, including the Latin Group, Health Group(which she founded), the Harvest Committee and the Stewardship Committee. Marjorie was a bundle of energy. She touched the lives of everyone she's ever encountered. I'm sure if you've been in her presence, you came away with a wonderful experience. She was wise, smart, beautiful, compassionate, and above all, generous. Her personality was

second to none. Vivacious and elegant. She had warmth, a desire to always help. Her best trait was her laugh. She laughed from her belly, especially when watching a comedy movie or simply listening to a joke.

She was one of a kind, and she is now with our Lord.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol, her grandson, Jonathan, her sister, Joyce, her brother, Glenford, and countless nieces, nephews, and cousins from around the world.

We will always love Marjorie and miss her. Thank the Lord for allowing us to have time with her here on Earth.

Zoom Information for the Funeral Service can be seen below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87332159951?pwd=V1pQOEIuSWUxaDY2RzV5dW5tNjFhQT09>

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Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 20. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
725 Belmont Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Funeral Service

AUG 20. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
725 Belmont Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Gathering

AUG 21. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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725 Belmont Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Burial

AUG 21 (ET)

Pinelawn Memorial Park and Garden Mausoleums
2030 Wellwood Avenue
Farmingdale, NY 11735
(631) 249-6100

Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie Kelly*

November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *My condolences to you and your mom; Jonathan. I remember your grandma, as one of those kind, friendly, well dressed and more matured ladies of the church, when I started St. Barnabas church, 19 years ago. She was always a very warm person, with a simple encouraging way and seemed so knowledgeable of people, the church and just a very reassuring person; through our little conversations. May her soul, Rest In Peace.*

Rosalie - August 29, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *Sharon Shaw lit a candle in memory of Marjorie Kelly*



Sharon Shaw - August 20, 2021 at 06:52 PM



“ *Tia Marjorie we Love you forever and You will be missed. Thank you for all the great memories and your kindness. May you Rest in Heaven. ❤️🙏*

From the Francis and Gibb family

katherine Francis - August 20, 2021 at 06:15 PM

AS

“ Audrey Shaw lit a candle in memory of Marjorie Kelly



Audrey Shaw - August 20, 2021 at 05:54 PM

AS

There are no goodbyes, I will always cherish our jovial conversations. Rest is Peace. Thanks for the memories 🙏

Audrey Shaw - August 20, 2021 at 06:00 PM

EV

“ What a beautiful lady. May she rest in peace. To the family : Be strong and God bless. E & B. Vactor

E. & B. Vactor - August 19, 2021 at 11:23 PM

CH

“ We will always cherish your memories. We'll miss your lovely smile!

Chelnechia & Franecia Brown



Chelnechia - August 19, 2021 at 12:14 PM

FM

“ Carol, Jonathan and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please accept my deepest condolences. RIP Ms. Kelly

Faith Mayers - August 19, 2021 at 12:06 PM

MM

“ *Mildred Mayers lit a candle in memory of Marjorie Kelly*



Mildred Mayers - August 19, 2021 at 01:45 AM

MM

“ *Mildred M. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Marjorie Kelly.*



Mildred M. - August 19, 2021 at 01:41 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Marjorie Kelly.*



August 18, 2021 at 07:28 PM

AK

“ *Rest in peace Tia Marjorie. My deepest condolences to my cousins Carol and Jonathan, and also to the rest of my family for our great loss.*

Ana Kelly-Stephen - August 17, 2021 at 02:29 PM

CA

Condolences to ms Carol and Jonathan and the entire family of Ms Kelly. We pray for healing for all of you. I know that they aren't enough words to bring her back but I pray that as you morn god will comfort you. From the Anderson's St Barnabas Church

Camille Anderson - August 18, 2021 at 01:52 PM

EH

May God's continued blessings envelope during this profound time of loss and grief, to the Kelly family especially Carol & Jonathan. From Eudean, Kevin, Christian &Chloe with love

Eudean Holder - August 18, 2021 at 03:18 PM

MI

To Carol and Jonathan, our deepest sympathy may she Rest In Peace From Colin and Mildred Mayers

mildrred - August 19, 2021 at 01:24 AM

FP

Hey Carol and Jonathan, Sending my Love from California. From Fernando Narcisso Patterson (bebe)

Fernando Narcisso Patterson - August 19, 2021 at 03:33 AM

HA

Rest in Heavenly Peace Me Marjorie Kelly.. Hazel Carty and family.

Hazel - August 19, 2021 at 12:45 PM

MA

she is at rest now in GOD'S hands

Maureen - August 20, 2021 at 09:42 AM