



MaryAnn Stephens

July 3, 1950 - October 2, 2019

MaryAnn Stephens was born on July 3, 1950 in Harlem Hospital to the late John and Josephine Stephens. She leaves six brothers: Tommie Lee Stephens, David (Daoud Adbe La-Azim) Stephens, James Stephens, Cornelius Stephens, Tony Stephens and John Jr Stephens, and one sister Patella Stevens. She departed this life on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 8am in her home in Brooklyn, New York surrounded in love.

MaryAnn was educated in the New York City school system. She worked different odd jobs throughout her life, but was a caregiver by nature and over the years she worked as a Home Health Aide most of the time until she became ill and retired.

MaryAnn met Rafael Hernandez in the mid 1970's. In 1980 they had a daughter Ana Maria Hernandez. Ana was their only child. She was all MaryAnn lived for. The bond they shared was like no other. They were not only mother and daughter but best friends.

She loved any song sang by Stevie Wonder "Sunshine of my life" being one of her favorites as she sang it to her Ana all the time. Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" was also one of her jams. Her favorite movie was "Imitation of Life" with Sydney Poitier. She enjoyed cooking and feeding her family. To taste her food was like tasting a slice of heaven. She enjoyed soap operas,

slot machines and scratch off tickets. Overall time spent with Ana was always her most enjoyable moments. She didn't follow any one religion but was a true believer in God and was a spiritual person. Anyone who knows her remembers her catch phrase "and what not" she would find a way to work that line into any and all conversations.

MaryAnn leaves behind her daughter Ana Maria Hernandez, one son-in-law Farrad Manson, one step grandson Jakim Manson, three sisters-in-law Sheila Stephens, Priscilla Stephens and Diarra Adbe La-Azim Stephens. Also a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friend's and acquaintances. She will be missed by many.

Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4

Thank you from the Hernandez and Stephens family for condolences, flowers and attendance.

Cemetery Details

All Souls Crematory

72-02 Astoria Boulevard
East Elmhurst, NY 11370

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

OCT 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Crematory

OCT 7. 9:00 AM (ET)

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JH

“ James H. purchased the Lavender Reflections S
pray for the family of MaryAnn Stephens.



James H. - October 05, 2019 at 10:20 PM



“ My heart is forever broken



Ana Hernandez - October 05, 2019 at 01:32 PM

RO

“ A beautiful light embodied into a human is what Maryann is. She will
truly be missed but her spirit remains in us all

Robin - October 04, 2019 at 09:29 PM



Madeline
Mercado

“ Madeline Mercado purchased the Full Of Love B
ouquet for the family of MaryAnn Stephens.



Madeline Mercado - October 04, 2019 at 08:52 PM



Madeline Mercado

“ *Madeline Mercado lit a candle in memory of MaryAnn Stephens*



Madeline Mercado - October 04, 2019 at 08:45 PM



“ *In memory of aunt Maryann I light this candle as a token of the ever lasting light of God glory and mercy. God saw your pain, your struggles and he heard your crys. When you said No More. God answered your crys. He took you up and comforted you in his arms where he gently rocked you into eternal sleep. May you sleep in peace.*



Trunashia Tooley - October 04, 2019 at 08:04 PM

NF

“ *Nancy, Claude and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of MaryAnn Stephens.*



Nancy, Claude and family - October 04, 2019 at 11:31 AM

LG

“ *sending my deepest condolences to you and your family may God give all the strength to get through these trying times.*

Lataya Gomez - October 04, 2019 at 11:13 AM

MB

“ Michele Bullock lit a candle in memory of MaryAnn Stephens



Michele Bullock - October 04, 2019 at 11:11 AM

NM

“ My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Your mother was a beautiful and kind soul, and she will not be forgotten.

Nancy Muller - October 04, 2019 at 11:04 AM

NS

“ I remember when maryann stayed cussing me and ann out and we used to hide from her. she was also a good person and a loving mother.



Nekeda smith - October 04, 2019 at 10:49 AM



“ *My mommy, my queen, my life, my bestfriend I will always love and miss you* ”



Ana Hernandez - October 03, 2019 at 07:22 PM