



Juanita Evelyn Harris

November 16, 1926 - April 25, 2021

Juanita Evelyn Heywood was born on November 16, 1926, in Houston, Texas, to the late Washie and Charlotte (Epperson) Heywood, the oldest of two children, elder sister of Anolia. Juanita and her sister enjoyed summers in Galveston. As a young girl, she learned homemaking skills and became quite adept at cooking and sewing. She attended Phillis Wheatley High School and later worked briefly in various jobs, including a beauty salon.

Juanita visited a friend in Washington, DC and decided it was the place for her. She relocated and stayed at an all-women boarding house, enjoying life, which led to meeting Virgil Harris. Both shared a love of music, especially jazz, dancing and attending concerts in DC. They married on August 9, 1946. From that union was born two sons, Virgil and Ronald. While her sons were young, she also attended night school at Cardoza High School. Juanita was a good steward of the household.

Juanita believed in Christ and was a woman with strong character. She taught her sons to stand up for themselves and to never let someone take advantage of them, make them feel inferior, or question their ability to succeed. Obstacles were meant to be overcome. She taught her sons the value of education, including drilling them on the multiplication tables. As young men, she prayed fervently for their safe return from the Vietnam War. She loved caring and teaching her children, grand and great-grandchildren. She attended Church services and enjoyed watching several TV ministries, deepening her knowledge of the Word of God.

Juanita enjoyed taking long walks and chatting with friends and family. In later years, she loved theater at the Greenbelt Arts Center and was quite thrilled to see the movie, Black Panther. She also enjoyed watching many classic and Hallmark movies.

Juanita loved deeply and was deeply loved. She leaves to cherish her memory, Virgil (Anne) and Ronald Harris (Renee); four grandchildren, Ronald Harris, Chantese Newman, Wykeim Harris, Dominic Harris; seven great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; special friend Sheila Collins, and a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband Virgil, Juanita was preceded in death by sister Anolia Lee Heywood, and grandson, Virgil Harris, III. A burial service will be held at Quantico National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Dementia Society of America, <https://www.DementiaSociety.org/donate> or Capital Caring Health, <https://www.capitalcaring.org>.

Events

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“ A few of Mrs. Harris scripture notes and one beautiful quote that reflected her philosophy of life. "Why worry about what other people think of you, unless you have more confidence in their opinion than you own." Author unknown.



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“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - April 29 at 12:50 PM