



Lydia Estelle Harris

July 9, 1960 - October 1, 2017

Lydia Estelle Harris, 57, of Portsmouth, VA, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 1, 2017. She was the seventh child born to the late Henry M. Harris, Sr. and Mildred V. Harris, of Portsmouth, VA, lived in the Hampton Roads area all of her life. She attended Portsmouth Public Schools. Lydia owned a very successful home daycare business, Lydia's Home Daycare in Portsmouth. She loved children and provided tender loving care to them as if they were her own. She is predeceased by her parents, grandparents, sister, Joan L. Cartwright and a special niece, Tracy A. Horton.

As a young child, Lydia loved to sing! She was "carrying a tune" at two years old. She often sang to and with her children. She was known for her love of fashion, hair and makeup.

Lydia Harris is survived by her children: Chere' Andrews , Taria Andrews, Mya Andrews of Portsmouth and Stanley C. Andrews, Jr. of Chesapeake, VA; Seven grandchildren: Alaiyah, Montre', Marquel, Daimen, Caleb, Leah & King; two great-grandchildren: Tykari and Kyla; six siblings: Henry M. Harris, Jr. (Mary) of Tampa, FI ; Jemmott Harris (Carol) of Chesapeake; Cheryle Johnson (James) of Portsmouth; Maurice Harris of Tampa, FI; Roderick Harris (Camellia) of Va. Beach ; Sharon Boykin (David) of Plainfield, NJ; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends; Stanley C. Andrews,

Sr., former husband and good friend; Bernard Jones, special family friend;

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd
Chesapeake, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Lydia Estelle Harris



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 07, 2017 at 11:27 AM



“ I can't believe that my friend has gone home to be with the Lord and I am just learning about it. I will truly miss my dear friend. My condolences to the family.

Janet Edwards - May 28, 2020 at 10:08 AM



“ Ms. Lydia you will truly be missed. My favorite memories come from when you and mom would gather us kids up and we would hang out and have the best of times. Also when I became a new mom you were there to provide daycare for my son. I was so nervous leaving him to go back to work but I was blessed to have someone like you to be their. Thanks for the memories.



Norlisha - October 07, 2017 at 02:05 PM

RM

“ To my little cousin , I'll remember all of the good times we shared. Thank you for always checking up on your family in New York. I'll miss you dearly ❤️

Renee " Cookie" Martin



Renee Martin - October 06, 2017 at 03:10 PM

DP

“ I will miss you dearly Cousin Lydia and I love you ❤️ I know you're at peace now.

Your little cousin Dorothea



Dorothea Phillips - October 06, 2017 at 03:04 PM

MJ

“ To The Harris and Andrews Family.

On behalf of your Nettie White Vines Family, we extend our heartfelt condolences to you in memory of our cousin, Lydia. Among those welcoming this 7th child home will be her great great great grandparents Robert and Annie Wilson who were among the 7 founders of New Saint Thomas Baptist Church located at the corner of Highland and Elm Avenues in Portsmouth. Lydia being blessed with the middle name of her grandmother Estelle will find comfort in His peace that surpasses all understanding. In the precious and glorious name of our Lord and Savior. The White and Vines Family.

Miriam Jiggetts - October 06, 2017 at 11:32 AM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 06, 2017 at 10:29 AM



“ To Lydia' s family, I went to school with Lydia, she was quiet, kind and a passionate young woman. I remember her giving spirit. God bless each of you as carry on her legacy. Be strong and of good courage.

Michelle Key Parker - October 05, 2017 at 09:53 PM



“ TEENA lit a candle in memory of Lydia Estelle Harris



TEENA - October 05, 2017 at 09:17 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 05, 2017 at 03:55 PM



“ *This is a difficult time for the Andrews and Harris families. To Lydia's loving children hold on to your mother's love and the many life lessons she taught you. My wife Carl and I will never forget the many acts of kindness Lydia showed us, her kind spirit and smile will not be forgotten. We all were taught by our parents (Henry and Mildred Harris) to show love rely on the shed blood of Jesus for comfort. We will miss you little sister.*

Your big brother Jemmott (Randy) and sister in law Carol (Carl)

Jemmott Harris - October 04, 2017 at 11:17 PM



“ *Isis Mitchell*

Aunt Lydia I Love you, and will miss you.

Isis Mitchell - October 04, 2017 at 04:09 PM

SJ

“ *Shirley Jackson lit a candle in memory of Lydia Estelle Harris*



Shirley Jackson - October 04, 2017 at 03:18 PM

MF

“ *Mr and Mrs Christopher Frank purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Lydia Estelle Harris.*



Mr and Mrs Christopher Frank - October 04, 2017 at 01:30 PM

JJ

“ *James Johnson (Jimmy)*

I have been a part of your family for 31 years. You don't see or hear from me that much, Lydia and her kids are an important part of my life. I Love and always will love you all. I will miss you Lydia

James Johnson - October 03, 2017 at 03:48 PM

QH

“ *No matter how long it's been since I've seen you I will always hold you dear to my heart. I am so sad you had to leave us so soon but I know God needs you more than we do right now. I have always loved you and I always will!*

Querita Harris

Querita Harris - October 03, 2017 at 01:48 PM

SB

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Sharon Boykin - October 02, 2017 at 10:35 PM

SB

“ *My Big Sister Lydt, as I called her was truly a perceptive and caring person. I have many fond memories, the first was our connection along with our brother Rod, on things that truly made us laugh, and we would scream with laughter until we could scream no more. Anotner, was her teaching me how to put on makeup and do my hair at 9 years old (of course we could not wear the makeup outside the house) but we enjoyed it anyway. She taught me how to do my hair, which she was always much better at, but the most thing i admired about her was her strength, courage and her love for children. She truly had a sincere talent and gift in bonding with children and making them feel so special that they did not want to leave her. I will deeply miss you Lydt, but will be determine to be comforted by your love of God and our many wonderful memories together. I love you with all my heart - Baby Sis Sharon*

Sharon E Boykin - October 02, 2017 at 09:34 PM

CR

“Lydia, a aunt who dealt with life's experiences with all her strength. I saw her about two months ago at Walmart and to see her brought great joy to me. We talked for an hour and she help me to appreciate life and to be there for your children no matter what may happens. She said," to have great love for family because life is hard but, you can survive anything with their love and God's help." I will miss our talks when we saw each other and will always value our time together.

Clarissa Russell
Niece

Clarissa Russell - October 02, 2017 at 05:16 PM

KI

“ Aunt Lydia was one of the sweetest people I know and she was always giving whatever she had to others. One of the happiest memories I have as a kid was spending the night at her house with all of us kids and laughing and playing. She laughed wholeheartedly. She will be truly missed. Kiki

kiki - October 02, 2017 at 03:48 PM



“ I will miss her smile & way she told stories. Just her being Aunt Lydia was all I needed. Gonna miss her. Now you are with Mama Dolly & Ootite. R.I.P. Auntie

Junie

John Hopkins - October 02, 2017 at 03:44 PM

JH

“ Just hearing her laught & tell stories and just her smile I will always miss. R.I.P. Auntie you are with Mama Dolly & Ootite . Love ya.
Junie

John Hopkins - October 02, 2017 at 03:40 PM

KI

“ Aunt Lydia was one of the kindest people I knew and was always trying to help others with whatever she could give. Some of my happiest memories as a kid were staying the night at her home with all us kids together laughing and playing. She would laugh wholeheartedly. She will be truly missed. Kiki

Kiki - October 02, 2017 at 03:32 PM

CJ

“ Lydia is one of my younger sisters. One of my many memories is hearing her sing "Over The Rainbow" at the age of 3. She had no idea we were listening. Our mother called her Songbird!
Cheryle

Cheryle Johnson - October 02, 2017 at 01:40 PM

JH

*This is a very hard time for the Andrew and Harris family. To loose one of our own is very difficult. But the memory of Lydia will something to hold on to.. I offer to her four loving children hold on to your mother's love and the many life lessons she taught you. I will miss my dear sister and I am thank full for the love she showed to me.
Your big brother Jemmott (Randy)*

Jemmott Harris - October 04, 2017 at 10:43 PM

JH

*This is a very hard time for the Andrews and Harris families. To loose one our own is very difficult. I offer to her loving children.. Hold on to the love your mother taught you and the many life lesson she showed you. For myself and my wife Carl we will never forget your (Lydia) smile and you kindness. I will miss my dear little sister. We were all taught by our parents (Henry and Mildred Harris) to always rely on shed blood of Jesus to give us hope for the future so that's what will sustain us.
Your big brother Jemmott (Randy)*

Jemmott Harris - October 04, 2017 at 11:01 PM

CM

When I read an email from your cousin, Freda who happened to be my high school classmate, I was shock to hear of Lydia's passing. She was always a wonderful person to be around. I met Lydia through Cheryl, who was my best friend in high school, and Mama Dolly was my son's babysitter back in the day. Lydia got her caring spirit and love for children from her mother, the best sitter in the world. My last memory of Lydia was about a year ago when we met at the Dollar Store, and we talked in the aisle for over an hour. I know the people around us thought we were crazy, laughing and joking about old times. She had a contagious smile and a pleasant personality. I will miss her and my prayers are with the family.

Cynthia Dixon Madkins - October 05, 2017 at 10:47 AM