#### Carol's Daily Affirmations



- Allow yourself to be you
- You are Beautiful just that way you are
- Know that Your Kindness has a ripple effect in the World











The Warmth of Family



# Celebrating A Life Well Lived of

# Carol Diane Simmons

July 18, 1943 - March 22, 2024



\*\*The Young, Simmons Families would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support during this very difficult time. May God Bless You All!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024 12:00P** 

METROPOLITAN FUNERAL CHAPEL, Inc. 109 West Avenue | Rochester, NY

## **OBITUARY**

#### Carol D. Simmons 7/18/1943 - 3/22/2024

Carol Diane Simmons transitioned peacefully on March 22nd, 2024. Carol was predeceased by both parents Fred C. Simmons & Mary L Brown, and one brother Wm. Billy Simmons. Carol is survived by one sister Sheila Simmons, and three adult children. David (Leitha) Young of Los Angeles, CA. Alicia (James) Hardy of Burtonsville, MD. Wm. Robert "Billy" (NaTina) Young. Four Grand Children: Brooklyn Young, Candice Young all of Rochester, NY. Alanna Hardy of Chicago, Ill, and Nyla Nevaeh Loria Young of Los Angeles, CA. Three Great Grand Children: September and Tyme Young (Brooklyn), and Raymer Johnson (Candice). Two Nephews: Charles (Chuckie) Austin of Rochester, NY., and Douglas Simmons of Parsippany, New Jersey. A host of colleagues, friends, neighbors and relatives are also left to mourn Carol's passing.

Carol was born and raised in Rochester, New York. Carol was the middle child. Having a strong sense of faith Carol spent most of her childhood days after school in church.

Carol attended James Madison Highschool, later marrying and divorcing William Robert Young, Sr. This union bore three children, David, Alicia, and William Robert, Jr. (Billy). As a single mother Carol returned to school and earned her Bachelor Degree in Social Work from (SUNY) State University of New York, College at Brockport. Carol's first job out of college was working with the Rochester Police Department as a Social Worker in the victims crime unit. Carol also worked as a Social Worker at Genesee Settlement House and at Rochester Mental Health facilities over the years. A consistent lifelong learner Carol went back to college and earned her Master's in Social Work from Robert Wesleyan College, in Rochester on May 17th, 1997. Shortly after graduation Carol relocated to Maryland and began practicing as a licensed Master Social Worker for the District of Columbia's Child and Family Services Unit for over ten years. Subsequently Carol retired and returned back to Rochester to help care for her ailing younger brother with her sister Sheila.

Carol loved serving her community and helped many friends and family members obtain high school and college degrees, also providing support for underserved youth with guidance and referrals for Rochester's Summer Jobs program. With family and community top of mind Carol's house was always filled with love and encouragement. It was widely known that Carol did not turn anyone away, and as a result she took in many friends and family to stay with her over the years.

Carol love to dance and enjoy the company of family and good friends. It was always an enjoyable event when she and her two siblings would host numerous Winter "Cabin" parties at Cobbs Hill park. Up until her passing Carol would often say how the trip of her life-time was when she spent a week in Montego "MoBay" Bay, Jamaica for her eldest Son's wedding. Carol along with her sister Sheila recall that vacation with "Pure Joy", as she would recount. Also, anyone who new Carol knew she loved to gamble at casinos. Interesting fact, she and her sister Sheila have been to most every casino on the East Coast including Canada, and to Las Vegas on the West Coast. With family being a priority, we can say Carol Diane Simmons lived a full and accomplished Life. May you now Rest In Peace.

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

ELDEST SON DAVID S. YOUNG - OFFICIANT BISHOP TONY TAYLOR - EULOGIST

**Processional** 

Musical Selection (Forever by J. Nelson )

**Opening Remarks** 

Scriptural Readings Old Testament - Psalm 23:1-7 New Testament - Ephesians 3:14-21

**Prayer of Comfort** 

Musical Selection Total Praise (by R. Smallwood

Acknowledgements / Letters

Reflections

2 minutes please

**Obituary Reading** 

**Musical Selection** 

(Soon & Very Soon by Andre' Crouch

**Eulogy & Committal** 



Clergy Minister of Music: Deborah Cox

\*Eldest Grand - Brooklynn Young

\*Youngest Grand - Nyla N.L. Young

Bishop Tony Taylor

David S. Young

New Love Fellowship Church

Minister of Music: Deborah Cox

Alanna Young-Hardy

Family and Friends

David S. Young

Minister of Music: Deborah Cox

**Bishop Tony Taylor** 

New Love Fellowship



Committal will take place at Metrolpolitan Funeral Chapel, Inc..