



Yolanda Teresa Brooks

October 2, 1945 - April 20, 2021

To view the service for Yolanda Teresa Brooks' live stream please use the link below: www.facebook.com/ZandersFuneralLIVE

Yolanda Teresa Brooks-Perry was born on October 2, 1945 in Ancon, Canal Zone. "Yoli" as she was affectionately known, was the first-born child of Millicent and Lionel Perry. She grew up in Santa Cruz, Gamboa Canal Zone where she was an exceptional athlete and enjoyed playing on the local basketball and softball teams. In 1964, she became a graduate of Paraiso High School. A year later in 1965, she married her beloved Alfredo "Tito" Brooks. Their union was blessed with sons Alfredo and Deron. Together their family unit was joyful, loving, and so welcoming, that neighboring children and friends were a constant fixture within their home located in Villa Rica, Panama City. Yoli's larger than life personality and variety of homemade punches/"chichas" were always in abundance. Her light shined most brightly when hosting her famous monthly Pokeno and Bingo nights. The friends in attendance shared in her love for cooking and baking. Yoli's compassion was endless, and she was instrumental in nurturing her cousin Dazzell Marshall and nephew, Anselmo Cummings in their early childhoods. She welcomed them into the fold and raised four boys providing for their every need with the upmost love and affection. Their heartfelt memory is of "mama" taking them to the drive-in theater in Panama City, back in the 1980's. She would pile them all into the back of the

family Plymouth station wagon, with enough room to include their cousins and neighborhood friends. Yoli always made sure there was popcorn and soda for all. As a result of her generous spirit and pleasant personality, she was loved by many. Yolanda reveled in being the oldest child and her sisters, Lauren, and Esmeralda recall “the look” they would get from her when they were getting out of line. To them she was a perfectionist always striving to make sure everything was at its best, and especially “done her way.” Yoli was a fashionista who enjoyed dressing in the latest fashions and hairstyles. Later in life, Yolanda brought great joy to her mother

and Aunt Kathleen Wade. She would frequently travel out to Paraiso, to spend time with them and delighted in catering to their needs. In 2005, Yoli fulfilled a lifelong dream and migrated to the United States to be with her sons and grandchildren. Her grandchildren Rashawn, Keon, Shirley, Adriel, Shamar, Shanice, and Khloe; were the source of her happiness. She loved to attend all their activities: basketball, football, soccer, and dance rehearsals. She was devoted to Christ and became an active member of the Agape Assembly Baptist Church in Orlando, Florida, faithfully serving in the Women’s Ministry. She

proudly coordinated food distributions with the Community Pantry. Yolanda was a sports enthusiast and passionately supported her Los Angeles Lakers, New York Yankees, and New Orleans Saints. She could recall game plays, player stats, and flawlessly provide insight and analysis. She passed peacefully on Tuesday, April 20th, 2021, in Orlando, Florida. Her beautiful life will forever be cherished in the lives of her children: Alfredo Brooks, (Ayana), Deron Brooks (Kamilah) and Dazzell Marshall; 7 grandchildren; sisters Lauren Penick and Esmeralda Hamilton, aunt Ivy Stewart; and uncles Hugh Marshall and Chester Marshall; as well as a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Yolanda now rejoices in Heaven and her memory will carry on in our hearts forever.

Cemetery Details

Orlando Memorial Gardens

5264 Ingram Road
Apopka, FL 32703

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Agape Assembly Baptist Church
2425 North Hiawassee Road
Orlando, FL 32818

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Yolanda Teresa Brooks*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *The Mussa's, LaPorte's, and Espada's purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Yolanda Teresa Brooks.*



The Mussa's, LaPorte's, and Espada's - April 28, 2021 at 01:06 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Yolanda Teresa Brooks.*



April 27, 2021 at 11:48 AM



“ *Tax Service Panama purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Yolanda Teresa Brooks.*



Tax Service Panama - April 26, 2021 at 11:40 AM

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“ *In loving memory, of my beautiful niece. Yoli was loving, kind, generous, quiet, well behaved little girl and loved the Lord greatly. I use to sew her dresses, she always knew what pattern she wanted. Yoli was a good cook, we all use to enjoy her food, she was the best big sister and looked after her sisters well. Yoli will be greatly missed.
But I know on that great day we will all meet again on that beautiful shore.*

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things have passed away.

In loving memory of our beautiful cousin, we are so glad we got to meet and spend some time with Yoli. She welcomed us into her home with open arms what a blessing it was to meet her. We will all meet again one day and this time it will be forever.

Deron and Alfredo, we are so sorry for your loss may God give you strength and courage you are in our thoughts and prayers. God bless you both. Xxxx

Camille - April 24, 2021 at 05:07 PM