



Doris Harris

August 30, 2022

Doris Ann Harris, affectionally known as BIG D, was a caring mother, grandmother, sister and friend. Doris passed away on August 30, 2022 at the age of 74 after a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by loved ones who will continue to honor her legacy by living their lives to the fullest.

She was born to the late Lazarus Jr and Julia Ham Jackson on November 26, 1947 in Florence, South Carolina. Doris moved to Woodbridge, New York at the age of 13 and graduated from Fallsburg Central High School in 1965. In the late 1960's she then moved to Boston, Massachusetts. In 1981, she joined the armed forces and was assigned to Fort Jackson Army Base in Columbia, South Carolina. After graduating from the basic training, she was assigned to the 26th Yankee Infantry Division Support Command, in Framingham, Massachusetts, where she served honorably in the United States Army for 20 years, achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant. During her Military Service career, she was awarded many awards for her exemplary service for the United States Military such as "The Army Commendation Medal, The Meritorious Service Medal, The Army Achievement Medal and The Good Conduct Medal. 1, June 2003 she retired with full honors and relocated to Darlington, South Carolina In May 2005.

Doris loved spending time in the kitchen, creating delicious meals for her family. Everyone would gather around the kitchen table, especially for her

delicious collard greens and potato salad. She enjoyed spending her free time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and watching Old classic westerns. She had a bold sense of fashion and her favorite song was "She's a Bad Mama Jama". Doris was a long time devoted member of Snow Hill Baptist Church, in Florence, South Carolina, where she served as an active member on the Usher board.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Lazarus and Julia Ham Jackson; three brothers, James P. Ham, Matthew "Scubee" Jackson and California "Frick" Jackson; Two Sisters, Annie Ree Lowrey and Dorothy J. Merchant.

Left to cherish her memory are: her only child, a daughter, Marsha (Melvin) Boneparte of Darlington, South Carolina; four, very special Grandchildren, whom she raised, Shamiqua (Willie) Rainey of Darlington, South Carolina, Tawana Sade' Boneparte of Darlington, South Carolina, Kashyma Shaunice Erica Cannady of Darlington, South Carolina and Omari Aronte' Christopher Holmes also of Darlington, South Carolina; four great-grandchildren, who she cherished and adored, Ta'Nyah Emoni Mar'Sha Boneparte, JeTwan Lavioris James, M'Khayla Serenity Hayes and M'Khi Emanuel Rainey; an older brother, Timothy (Ida) Jackson, of Jamaica Queens, New York; two sisters-In-Law, Sarah Jackson of Manhattan, New York and Shirley Jackson of Cross, South Carolina; three very special nephews, Nathaniel Merchant of Columbia South Carolina, Aaron Jackson and Gregory Jackson, both of Boston Massachusetts; two special cousins, Woodrow (Bobby) McDaniel and Mary Jordan Robinson, both of Darlington, South Carolina; her best friend for over 30 years, who was more of a sister, Lula DeBerry, of Boston, Massachusetts; two special friends, Alma Smith and Lilly Gillard, both of Boston, Massachusetts; and a furry companion named Cooper-Rae.

Cemetery Details

Florence National Cemetery

803 E National Cemetery Rd.
Florence, SC 29506

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Snowhill Baptist Church
3503 Hoffmeyer Rd
Florence, SC 29501

Tribute Wall

WT

“ SSG Harris was one of the smartest soldiers in the military when it comes to processing the paper work in the United States Army. Everyone went to Doris about their paperwork. She was loved by so many soldiers, she also made sure we stay on the strait and narrow road so we could retire with 20 or more years! I will truly miss our conversation we had about life. She helped me through some of my worst times in the military. SSG Harris or Doris was one of the humble person on the face of this earth. I will always ❤️ you SSG Harris. Gone But Not Forgotten! Blessings RIP!!!

Wylecia Trawick - September 11, 2022 at 04:53 PM

PA

“ Our sincere condolences to Marsha and the entire family of Sis. Doris Harris. It is our prayer that the God of all comfort will comfort and strengthen all of you throughout this very difficult time. Sis. Doris Harris was a member of our church, People's Church of God in Christ for many years while living in Massachusetts. She was a great cook; she served as a member of the Pastor Aid committee and the usher board. We shared some great memories with Sis. Doris and we pray you will hold on to the great memories you have of her. Pastor James & Mattie Allen and the Shekinah Glory Church family.

Pastor James & Mattie Allen - September 03, 2022 at 04:40 PM

EB

“ The entire family has my deepest sympathy. I'm sorry for your loss. Will be praying for the entire family

Elouise Bines - September 01, 2022 at 04:11 PM

JM

“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the family!* 🙏🙏🙏



Jacqueline Moses - September 01, 2022 at 12:30 PM

ME

“ *my condolence to the family was sorry to hear about the lost of your loved one.*

maggie eaddy - September 01, 2022 at 09:02 AM