



Marie Walker

November 9, 1960 - July 10, 2019

OBITUARY

MARIE WALKER

On Wednesday, July 10, 2019, Andrienne ‘Marie’ Nicola Walker, loving wife and stepmother, passed away at the age of 58.

Marie was born on November 9th, 1960 in Kingston, Jamaica to Clinton and Sadie Deeble. A graduate of Holy Childhood High School, she was recruited by the Jamaica Tourist Board (JTB), migrated from Jamaica to the United States to work in the JTB’s New York office and studied while there, receiving her degree in Advertising from Iona College, graduating Magna Cum Laude and later earning a Certification in Marketing and Public Relations from New York University. Marie spent over 40 years in marketing and advertising in the travel and tourism industry and was affiliated with the Boards of The American Foundation of the University of the West Indies, (AFUWI); the Caribbean Tourism Organization, USA; Monroe College Graduate School Advisory Board. On June 5, 2000 she married the Honorable Sam Walker, where she became a loving stepmother to Sam Douglas Walker II and Shannon Mulira.

Marie had boundless passion for life and everything that encompasses it: people, food, music and most importantly, travel – especially for the region of her birth: the Caribbean. Throughout the course of her career Marie worked to promote the destinations of Jamaica, Antigua and Barbuda, St. Lucia and Anguilla, launching her tourism marketing agency, TurnStyle Marketing, Inc. Her passion for the hospitality industry and cuisine led her to consult on the creation of Bambou, a 3-star Caribbean restaurant in Manhattan and then she successfully launched and operated a pop-up Jerk restaurant in Harlem: Jerk-to-Go.

Marie often cited the following T.D. Jakes quote to describe her endless drive, “It is your passion that empowers you to be able to do that thing you were created to do” and her passion led her to incredible achievements in her career. Not only did she positively

impact the countries she was promoting by driving tourism to each, but she received 11 Awards for her service from the leading agencies in travel including: American Society of Travel Agents, New York Certificate of Recognition, Consul General of Jamaica Award, Anguilla Professional Association of New York (APANY); and the American Marketing Association. Her impact was such that chances are that if you had anything to do with the Caribbean's tourism industry, you met Marie, or met someone who knew Marie.

Based in New York and Florida, Marie was constantly traveling personally and professionally. Her natural curiosity meant she was constantly trying something new, and wanted each and every person she met to try it as well. Cajoling was Marie's life motto: it was impossible to say no to her, and in return you knew that you would always have a smile on your face that would last the rest of the day. Marie's personality meant each and every person would be included and feel her warmth. Her signature ending for any message, voicemail or email – 'Warmest' – truly described her. Her warmth was felt by those that knew her, and the thousands in the countries she helped to promote and drive their economy and is her living legacy.

Marie leaves her husband, Sam, her parents Clinton and Sadie Deeble, sister Jackie Vickers, brother-in-law Michael Vickers, nieces Nicola and Celine, stepchildren Sam Douglas and Shannon and step-grandchildren, friends and business colleagues to mourn.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 10 AM (EST) at Cooper City Church of God, 9191 Stirling Road, Cooper City, FL.

Cemetery Details

Bailey Memorial Gardens

7801 Bailey Road
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Grace Funeral Chapels
5980 West Oakland Park Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33313
(954) 484-1833
info@gracefuneralchapels.com
<https://www.gracefuneralchapels.com>

Viewing

JUL 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Cooper City Church of God
9191 Sterling Rd
Cooper Cty , FL 33328
<https://cccogod.org/>

Funeral Service

JUL 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

Cooper City Church of God
9191 Sterling Rd
Cooper Cty , FL 33328
<https://cccogod.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Marie Walker*

October 06, 2023 at 12:11 AM

DW

“ *Marie, you were a ture and loving person to all who had the hono. My dear childhood friend you are thought of often, I am happy we made a connection in 2017 where we spoke for a long time on the phone catching up.... really miss you mi name sake. SIP*

Dawn A Walker - March 30, 2022 at 07:44 PM

AN

“ *It January 8, 2021 and I'm sitting in my office when suddenly my friend Marie Deeble Walker sails into my head. I had not seen or spoken to her in years and so I googled and this was an absolute shocker. I was Marie's housekeeper in New York for a few years, the Mignott's and when she moved to Mount Vernon a few occasions. She assisted me in commencing my pre and post commercial cleaning business in New York sharing valuable information. I am forever grateful. Marie and I became great friends to say the least. My kids adored her ...heaven received one of it's best. Sleep in Peace Marie I am heartbroken to hear of your passing. But I do know you have left an awesome legacy. Sincere condolences to Judge Walker and family and Marie's friends. Andrea.*

Andrea - January 08, 2021 at 01:58 PM

DB

“ *Marie, you were a warm, beautiful soul. Thank God for your presence on this earth. It was a pleasure to know you. So deeply saddened that you are no longer here. Our prayers and love are extended to your family. You lived with such passion. Yours was a life well lived. Walk good dearest Marie.*

Deon Brown - July 27, 2019 at 09:33 AM

KT

“ *Marie was a force of light. It was a privilege to have known her and to have learned from her as we traveled and worked together. Her passion, expertise, enthusiasm and kindness will be deeply missed. Our love goes out to everyone who knew her and especially to her family and loved ones. Best, Kristin Tavas*

Kristin Tavas - July 22, 2019 at 11:27 AM

RD

“ *Your leadership was exceptional and your charm and grace will be for ever be remembered. Rest in peace Marie*

Ray and Pat DeRizzio

Raynor DeRizzio - July 21, 2019 at 07:07 PM

DC

“ *Marie was effervescence personified. She carried a light that was lit from within and was joy writ large. Her love of life was evident and lived life on her terms. The world seems a bit dimmer, more bland without her.*

Rest in Peace Marie



donna cooper - July 19, 2019 at 08:49 PM

BH

“ *I join the staff and other former colleague at the Jamaica Tourist Board in extending condolence to Marie Deeble Walker's parents, family and relatives. We will always remember Marie for her embracing warmth, her passion for tourism marketing and promotion, and her genuine zest for life. Rest In Peace Marie.*

- Byron Henry



Byron Henry - July 18, 2019 at 12:37 PM

CF

“ *Clemencia Veitch Falla and Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Marie Walker.*



Clemencia Veitch Falla and Family - July 18, 2019 at 08:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 18, 2019 at 07:38 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Charmane Wong - July 17, 2019 at 08:05 PM

CF

“ Clemencia Falla lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker



Clemencia Falla - July 17, 2019 at 01:18 PM

CF

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Clemencia Falla - July 17, 2019 at 01:15 PM

VW

“ Valrie (Val) Williams purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marie Walker.



Valrie (Val) Williams - July 17, 2019 at 01:14 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.



July 17, 2019 at 12:41 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.



July 17, 2019 at 12:28 PM

JD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I am so sorry for your loss.
Marie was a beautiful person inside and out and one of the best types of human beings.

Jacqueline DuBerry
Valerie Wilson Travel

Jacqueline DuBerry - July 17, 2019 at 12:27 PM

TD

Beautiful soul.
Praying God's strength, grace and blessings for you Sam and family
May she RIP

trevor Dalling - July 20, 2019 at 08:22 PM

TC

“ The Roy Reid Family, Corporate Career purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Marie Walker.



The Roy Reid Family, Corporate Career - July 17, 2019 at 10:27 AM

AA

“ Anguilla Hotel & Tourism Association purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Marie Walker.



Anguilla Hotel & Tourism Association - July 17, 2019 at 10:17 AM

LN

“ *Lloyd Newell sent a virtual gift in memory of Marie Walker*



Lloyd newell - July 17, 2019 at 05:55 AM

CC

“ *Carletta Davis Sandford & David Sandford Toronto Ca purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Marie Walker.*



Carletta Davis Sandford & David Sandford Toronto Ca - July 16, 2019 at 11:22 PM

CS

“ *Marie and I were associates in the Tourism Industry when I worked for Air Jamaica in Jamaica New York and Toronto. She was dedicated ambassador and was passionate about her work. She loved people and her job. She lived her life in her way. She was a close friend of my daughter Tania for over 40 years and I knew her all that time.*

God has chosen to take her to Heaven at this time, and my deepest sympathy to her Mother, Her Sister and of course her Dear Husband Sam and the entire family.

She was one of a kind and will leave a indelible Mark on those she touched at work and personally " Andrienne Marie Rest in Peace Eternal Rest Grant unto you oh Lord. May perpetual light shine on you Carletta And Davis Sandford Toronto Canada

Carletta Davis Sandford - July 16, 2019 at 11:16 PM

DS

“ *Donoban, Cheryl and Carole Smith purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Marie Walker.*



Donoban, Cheryl and Carole Smith - July 16, 2019 at 10:24 PM



“ *Charmane Wong purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Marie Walker.*



Charmane Wong - July 16, 2019 at 09:33 PM



“ *Charmane Wong lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker*



Charmane Wong - July 16, 2019 at 09:26 PM



My deepest condolence to Sam and the family. May time bring peace, grace bring healing and love bring comfort.

Charmane Wong - July 16, 2019 at 09:28 PM

CM

“ *Those we Love don't go away ,they walk beside us every day.Unseen ,unheard,but always near,so loved, so missed,so very dear. My Condolences to Sam and the entire Walker family..Love always.....Charles/ Grace Murray.*

CHARLES/GRACE MURRAY - July 16, 2019 at 08:17 PM

CM

“ *CHARLES/GRACE MURRAY lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker*



CHARLES/GRACE MURRAY - July 16, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ *Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 16, 2019 at 05:41 PM

MW

“ *My thoughts are with you Sam and the family. I am blessed to have known and shared the company of Marie. I will never forget the kindness she always showed me. Her smile and joyful exuberance was so contagious. Be blessed and know that you are in my prayers.*



Maureen & Robert Walker

Maureen Walker - July 16, 2019 at 01:32 PM

JI

“ *Janice/Errol Mc Intosh lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker*



Janice/Errol Mc Intosh - July 16, 2019 at 11:36 AM

RO

She is one of the encouraging Angel that helped Stephanie and I decide to move to Anguilla! She supported our plan for a Writers Retreat and started the Anguilla Lit-Fest! God bless her and her love one's! One Love

Reginald Oliver - July 16, 2019 at 10:34 PM

JI

“ *I have never met a more sincere, kind and outgoing person like Marie. Each time I would run into her she had this beautiful smile and a most outgoing personality. She was just a strong independent and beautiful person who I admire so much. we send our condolence to Sam and her other family member. I want to let you know that our thought and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We will miss Marie very much, her passing came as such a shock but we feel blessed to have known such a jovial kind wonderful person. May her soul rest in peace*
Errol/Janice McIntosh

Janice/Errol Mc Intosh - July 16, 2019 at 11:17 AM

CO

“ *Caribbean Tourism Organization purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Marie Walker.*



Caribbean Tourism Organization - July 16, 2019 at 10:27 AM

BM

“ I met Marie in 1999 when working at Gourmet Magazine and age was at the JTB. She loved Nobu and we would take her to thank her for her business. She always ordered the Miso Cod! What a treat it was to share a scrumptious meal with her and laugh about life. She was warm, insightful, friendly and easy to be with. I even included her in my Memoir/Cookbook “Recipes to Remember.” I have since worked with Marie the last 20 years and always encounter that same beautiful energy. I will miss seeing her at Caribbean events. Sam, my heart is broken for you and your family. I send you my deepest sympathy during this time and prayers for healing your broken heart.



barbara magro - July 16, 2019 at 09:25 AM



Dear Sam,
There are no words to express the magnitude of the loss of Marie. May time bring peace, grace bring healing and love bring comfort.
Warmest regards,
Charmane Wong

Charmane Wong - July 16, 2019 at 09:05 PM

LN

“ Lloyd Newell lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker



lloyd newell - July 16, 2019 at 08:32 AM

LN

“ Sam we're sorry for your loss, stay focus and strong, she's in Gods hands now .
Lloyd & Velma

lloyd newell - July 16, 2019 at 08:30 AM

LN

“ Lloyd and Velma Newell purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Marie Walker.



Lloyd and Velma Newell - July 16, 2019 at 08:25 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 16, 2019 at 12:58 AM

JA

“ *1 file added to the album Fan Club Tribute*



jaquin.bennett - July 15, 2019 at 09:10 PM

MF

“ *Marcy, Garfield and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marie Walker.*



Marcy, Garfield and Family - July 15, 2019 at 07:27 PM



“ *Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 15, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ *Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 15, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.*



July 15, 2019 at 02:49 PM

GD

“ *7 files added to the tribute wall*



Glenise Douglas - July 15, 2019 at 01:30 PM

VN

Beautiful lady with a beautiful soul, SIP

Velma Jackson Newell - July 18, 2019 at 01:00 AM


GD

“ *25 files added to the tribute wall*



Glenise Douglas - July 15, 2019 at 10:43 AM

GD

“ *These are some of the beautiful memories I have shared with my gracious and sweet friend Marie. I loved you then and I will love you forever. Rest In Peace my sweet Marie* 



Glenise Douglas - July 15, 2019 at 10:27 AM

LD

“ *8 files added to the tribute wall*



Larry Shaunalee Duffus - July 14, 2019 at 07:31 PM


LH

“ *Lynda Hylton-Durand lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker*




Lynda Hylton-Durand - July 14, 2019 at 06:43 PM

LH

When I think of you Marie I smile. Rest peacefully my friend. 

Lynda Hylton-Durand - July 14, 2019 at 06:45 PM

 Kay Starr

“ *My "warmest" Marie. You were truly an amazing woman with a passion for life that was unmatched. Your nurturing and loving spirit has forever left a mark on my life and for that I will never forget you. For the encouraging words, nudges along the way and loads of laughter, I thank you. Gone but never forgotten. Sleep well beautiful lady* 

Kay Starr - July 14, 2019 at 12:25 PM

LD

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Larry Shaunalee Duffus - July 14, 2019 at 10:27 AM

LD

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Larry Shaunalee Duffus - July 14, 2019 at 10:25 AM

JA

“ 18 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 14, 2019 at 09:13 AM

LD

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Larry Shaunalee Duffus - July 14, 2019 at 08:40 AM

LS

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Larry & Shaunalee - July 14, 2019 at 08:33 AM



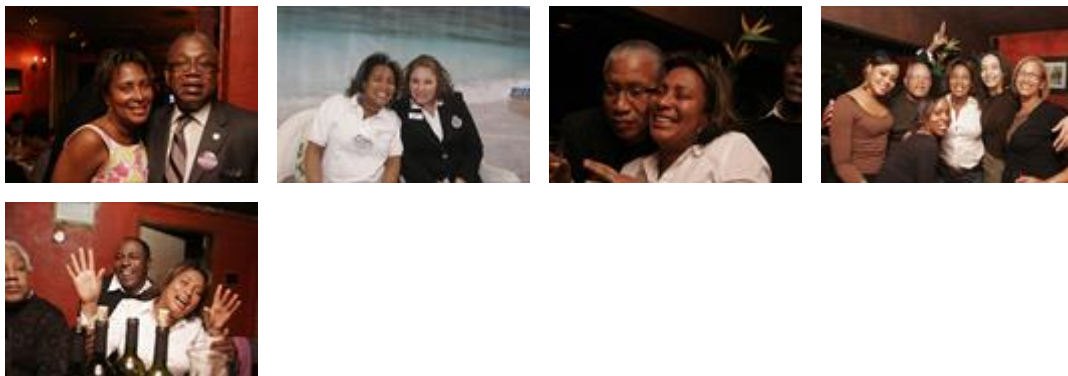
“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Walker.



July 14, 2019 at 08:26 AM

JA

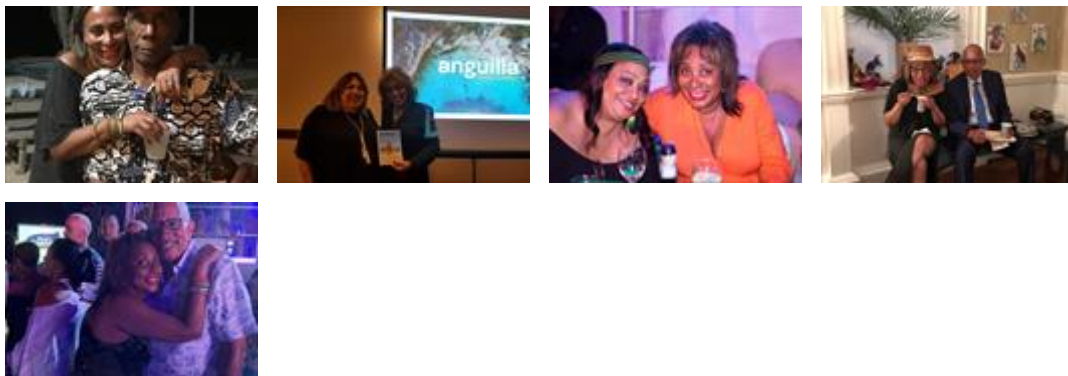
“ 58 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 14, 2019 at 06:52 AM

JA

“ 15 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 14, 2019 at 05:59 AM

JA

“ 46 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 14, 2019 at 05:30 AM

JA

“ 1 file added to the album Tribute - Hon. Ascot Michael



jaquin.bennett - July 14, 2019 at 05:26 AM

TH

“ Trevor Hunter lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker



Trevor Hunter - July 14, 2019 at 03:33 AM

KA

“ Too well loved to ever be forgotten...May you rest in peace,
as memories of you live on.



Kaye Ann - July 13, 2019 at 10:18 PM

CB

“ Carol Brooks lit a candle in memory of Marie Walker



Carol Brooks - July 13, 2019 at 09:35 PM

LC

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Lydia Chang - July 13, 2019 at 08:22 PM

JA

“ 1 file added to the album Birthday Celebration 2018



jaquin.bennett - July 13, 2019 at 08:10 PM

JA

“ 1 file added to the album Black Cinderella Video



jaquin.bennett - July 13, 2019 at 08:09 PM

JA

“ 12 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 13, 2019 at 06:52 PM

JA

“ 43 files added to the album Memories Album



jaquin.bennett - July 13, 2019 at 06:50 PM

JA

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

jaquin.bennett - July 13, 2019 at 06:42 PM

BA

“ Barry, Barbara, Helen, Susan , Susan, Anne. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Marie Walker.



Barry, Barbara, Helen, Susan , Susan, Anne. - July 13, 2019 at 06:21 AM