



## Mrs. Lillian Harris Carter

October 13, 1947 - April 24, 2021

Lillian Carter, affectionately known as (Big Lil) to most. To her family (Fat Baby). Lillian was born October 13, 1947, in Edgefield, South Carolina. She was the seventh child and the third daughter born to the late Clifford Harris Sr. and Julia Holmes-Harris. On April 24, 2021 Lillian peacefully departed this life at Capital Caring Center in Arlington Virginia. God saw fit to welcome her home.

Lillian was educated in the Alexandria City Public School System. Big Lil was a High Stepping, Award Winning Drum Majorette for Parker Gray Marching Band! She could really strut her stuff! So much so that the Parker Gray's Marching Band had to always perform last in Alexandria's George Washington day parade. The spectators would go wild when Big Lil came marching through.

Lillian graduated from George Washington High school in 1966. After graduating she worked as an Accounting Clerk at Cameron Station Military base, until its closure. Lillian then worked for, Webco as a Receptionist. Once leaving Webco, Lillian secured a position with Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of America as a receptionist and was promoted to Assistant to the Director of Finance until retirement, January 2016.

Lillian married her childhood sweetheart of 57 years, Otis Carter Sr., On June

28, 1969 and from their union they have one son, Otis (Bookie) Carter, Jr. Lillian's favorite time was going out to eat. Fat Baby loved to sit down with friends and family enjoying a good laugh while eating good food. We all know how she loved a good ole Steak. Anyone that knew her, they knew she was jewel with a heart of gold. Big Lil took pleasure in doing for others. And she did so with Excellence.

Lillian loved the Lord! As a young girl Lillian attended Mt. Jezreel Baptist Church. Lillian later became a dedicated member of Third Baptist Church, where she served on the Usher board. She was a prayer warrior and never missed Friday night prayer meetings or Bible Study. Lillian later joined the Fountain of Life Ministry under the leadership of Reverend Michael Powell. Lillian was a member of the Ecumenical Choir of Northern Virginia (ECNOVA ) for many years belting out songs in her 1st soprano voice.

Lillian, a woman after Gods own heart, was a servant to Gods people. Lillian was a 15 year volunteer of the Community Soup Kitchen. She never missed an opportunity to visit the sick and shut in. She always thought of others, spreading her generosity near and far. Weather donating gifts to men and women re-entering the work force, providing school supplies to children, and working with churches in the community. {Shiloh Baptist Church}, {Keep It Moving Empowerment Ministries}, {Gethsemane Life Ministries} to name a few. Lillian also served as the primary care giver to her husband and mother.

Lillian was proceeded in death by, her parents, three brothers Clifford (Hooking Bull) Harris Jr, Ulysses Harris, Ernest (Dizz) Harris, three sisters, Roberta Harris, Queen (Liz) Harris, Louise Ann Harris, uncle Sylvanus Tucker and Aunt Lillie Tucker.

Lillian leaves to cherish her fond memories; one son, Otis H. Carter Jr. (Tamika), one granddaughter Nevaeh, of Oxon Hill, MD, one brother (General)

McAuthur Harris of Arl, VA, two sisters, May Buggs of Brooklyn NY, Alise Kyle of Alex, VA, god daughters Crystal Ferguson-Shannon, Kenyatta Carter, Special friends Barbra Ferguson, Paula Currin, Jackie Golden, Mr. & Mrs. Saunders, Mr. & Mrs. Pearson, Shelby Jackson, Yolanda Browne, Special niece, Jermell Harris who she called " The Boss", and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Bethel Cemetery

Wilkes Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

# Previous Events

## A MASK MUST BE WORN to enter the Church

MAY 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8008 Fordson Rd.  
Alexandria, VA 22306

## Walk through Viewing only

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## Live Streaming Service Link: <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/20620681>

MAY 3. 10:50 AM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8008 Fordson Rd.  
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## Funeral

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-Johnson Funeral Service, P.A. created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Lillian Harris Carter*



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**Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-** - April 30, 2021 at 08:37 AM

GR

*This is Jean and penny g*

*This is 3*

*This is Jean and 4*

*This is Jean and penny gray love you lots*

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**Gray** - May 01, 2021 at 08:25 PM

SH

*Prayers of comfort to the family, Mrs. Carter was so sweet every since I knew her as a little girl. She will be missed!*

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**Shameeka** - May 01, 2021 at 10:39 PM

TJ

*I had the opportunity of meeting Lillian and Otis Carter at the Fountain of Life church when I joined. I found them both to be very genuine. They were both loving and genuinely cared for others. I especially enjoyed sitting with Lillian and our sharing recipes and talking about the Lord. Lillian enjoyed my turkey and dressing of which, I enjoyed cooking for her at one time. I will miss Lillian but I know I will see her again.*

*My prayers to Otis Jr. and the family. May God continue to comfort and give you peace.*

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**Teresa L Johnson** - May 03, 2021 at 02:03 PM

MS

*“ Mrs. Lillian was one of the nicest people that I personally knew. In my time of need, she was there to help with anything that needed to be done, always with a smile on her sweet face. I will always cherish her memories with a smile also. To whom much is given much is required, and she did the best she could for whomever was in need!! I truly love you and miss you. Rest in Peace Sweet Angel. Love always ( The Baby) Ms. Tanya Smith*

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**Ms. Tanya Smith** - May 03, 2021 at 11:03 AM

GN

*“ Mrs. Lillian Carter always smiling with such a giving heart. To the family, Thank you for sharing her with me and my family. Truly we enjoyed all that she did here on earth. Now she can rest. It was hard to let go, always remember the love and great times. There is a day we arrive, then life or a dash. Then a departure date. Remember all the great times in the dash.*

*Prayers of strength.*

*Gail Nelson*



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**Gail Nelson** - May 03, 2021 at 09:31 AM

SN

“ *Condolences from the Miles Family (South side)*

Shirley A Napper - May 02, 2021 at 10:07 PM

IH

“ *My mom Pearlle Young had a picture of Lil and herself at work. They were best friends. They still are. They are up there laughing and having a good time as always. In the picture Lil had a large Afro and the coolest 70's sunglasses. When I met Lil for the first time, I instantly understood their friendship. They laughed and enjoyed life. We should be so lucky to have the world's best friend. My deepest condolences. Their joy lives in my heart.*

Inga Hays - May 02, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ *142 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette- - May 02, 2021 at 03:48 PM

DT

“ Lord this is a shock I remember Mrs Lillian singing with her in the ICUA of VA Ushers Chorus and ECNOVA Choir prayers to the family.

*Derrick Thompson*

Derrick Thompson - May 02, 2021 at 12:32 AM

JG

“ We are all praying for you! Hold to God's unchanging hand. God bless you.

Jackie Golden - April 30, 2021 at 10:33 PM

MF

*You will be deeply missed Mrs. Lil! I know you are rejoicing to be back with your husband once more. Love you!*

Melinda Golden & Family - April 30, 2021 at 10:38 PM

DF

*Love and prayers to you all. You will be missed mom. God Bless!*

Dee Reyes and Family - May 01, 2021 at 08:11 PM

SJ

“ Sending prayers and condolences to the family of Lillian Carter. A lady so full of joy and love that being around her just made you happy. Lillian you will be definitely missed. RIHP sweet lady❤️

Sandra Grimes Jones - April 30, 2021 at 09:24 PM

RB

“ Rest In Peace. Lillian was a jovially person. Condolences to family. God will supply your needs. Agape Love,  
Renelda, Pastor Daniel L. Brown & Family.

Renelda E. Brown - April 30, 2021 at 10:51 AM