



## Jocelyn Griffin

July 6, 1956 - August 23, 2022

Jocelyn Griffin, affectionately known as “Joce” transitioned to be with the Lord on August 23, 2022. She was 66 years young. She was born on a beautiful Friday on July 6, 1956 to the late Samuel Griffin Sr. and Virginia Griffin in New Haven, CT.

Jocelyn was a graduate of James Hillhouse High School. After high school, She attended Bible School. She loved reading the Bible and knew the Word. Jocelyn grew up in the church and valued the importance of having a close relationship with the Lord. She was a member of Pitts Chapel Unified Free Will Baptist Church, which was founded by her grandfather, Austin Atkinson Sr.

After attending Bible School, she went on to earn an Associate in Science Degree, in Food Service Management, from Gateway Community College. After earning her Associate’s Degree, she worked as a chef for the New Haven Public School System. She was a great cook. Anyone who tasted her potato salad loved it.

Her priority was always her one and only child, her daughter, Jocelyn Mahagony. She affectionately called her “Mooka.” Jocelyn loved her daughter with all her heart and sacrificed everything to provide the best possible life for her to succeed. She leaves a legacy in her daughter and grandchildren who

have made her proud.

Jocelyn was an avid member of the community. She had a beautiful spirit and sweet soul. She loved to shimmer and shine. She loved a good laugh and could truly make you smile. She was very thoughtful and always sent out the most beautiful cards, in the most lovely handwriting, to her family.

Jocelyn leaves to cherish her loving memories to her Mother, Virginia Griffin, Daughter, Jocelyn Mahagony (Rashad) Harris, Grandchildren, Riley Rose and Ryan Reid Harris, Brothers, Samuel Griffin Jr., James Griffin, Sisters, Regina Atkinson, Sandra (Landers) Gaskins, Denise Delemar, Mary Griffin, and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her Father, Samuel Griffin Sr., her Sister, Debra Hopkins, and Brother, Brian Griffin.

# Cemetery Details

## Beaverdale Memorial Park

90 Pine Rock Avenue  
New Haven, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

SEP 2. 9:00 AM (ET)

Agape Christian Center  
90-100 Goffe Street  
New Haven, CT

## Funeral Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Agape Christian Center  
90-100 Goffe Street  
New Haven, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Continue to sleep peacefully, Mommy. I think of you every single day and will love you forever.*

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**Your Loving Daughter, Jocelyn Mahagony** - August 23, 2025 at 08:33 AM



“ *Jocelyn Griffin*

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October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *I love you, mommy. Continue to sleep in paradise. I will hold you in my heart until we meet again. ❤️🙏*

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**Your loving daughter, Jocelyn Mahagony** - September 09, 2022 at 08:07 AM



*I'm so very sorry for your loss. This was so shocking. God Bless You and your family*

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**Shirlene Gibbs** - October 05, 2022 at 04:35 PM

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“ I remember the first time I met Jocelyn. She seemed so shy & quiet. She sat outside my home just swinging & enjoying the outside weather & view. When I finished her grand daughters Riley’s hair (even with a mask on) you can tell she couldn’t stop smiling & saying the word “beautiful.” Then she said to me how proud she was. Her first time meeting me, she was such a sweet woman. Before leaving she gave me the warmest hug mentioning she was a hugger. That Warmed my soul. I know she was an amazing mother because her daughter is one of the most amazing & loving Mothers I know. I am praying for you all & know that we love you ❤️



nikki - September 02, 2022 at 07:49 AM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jocelyn Griffin.



August 31, 2022 at 06:20 PM

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“ Sandra Strong lit a candle in memory of Jocelyn Griffin



Sandra Strong - August 30, 2022 at 07:37 PM

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“ To Griffin Family: Sending condolences and 🌸 prayers on your beloved lost, Jocelyn worked sometimes at voting polls, love to wear her matching colors with her outfit, and we talked many times as neighbors on Bristol St about things carrying her smile 😊 May her soul rest in peace

Helen C Powell (Stop&shop)neighbor - August 30, 2022 at 04:17 PM

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“ -House Budget Committee Staff purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jocelyn Griffin.



-House Budget Committee Staff - August 30, 2022 at 11:07 AM

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“ Edith Rawls lit a candle in memory of Jocelyn Griffin



Edith Rawls - August 30, 2022 at 09:39 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Jocelyn Griffin.



August 29, 2022 at 09:40 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to the Griffin Family and especially to Little Jocelyn. Jocelyn and I have been friends from Junior high until adulthood she had a heart of gold and a laugh the would make you laugh. I remember how I would pick her up in my car and we would ride around just talking about life and things we wanted in our future. She would make me laugh all the time, and even though we didn't see or talk to each other offen we still would call each other once in a while just to say hi. She will be deeply missed. 🙏❤️

Cindy Sims - August 29, 2022 at 03:34 PM

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“ Cindy Sims lit a candle in memory of Jocelyn Griffin



Cindy Sims - August 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM

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My deepest condolences to the Griffin Family 🙏

Cindy Sims - August 29, 2022 at 04:12 PM