



## Mr. Johnnie Willie Harrell, Jr.

June 28, 1947 - March 21, 2018

Mr. Johnnie Willie Harrell, Jr. (known as Johnnie Jr. or Jay-Jay), of Brooklyn, New York passed away on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at the age of 70.

Johnnie was born on June 28, 1947 to the parents Johnnie Willie Harrell, Sr. and Verna Lee Bell, in Brooklyn, New York at Greenpoint Hospital. He grew up as the eldest of four siblings and attended South Creek High School. In his teenage years, Johnnie relocated to Robersonville, North Carolina to continue his education. Later, he enlisted in the United States Army.

In 1970, he married Catherine York and they had two children; Corey and Fabrae. Johnnie later married Cheryl Abraham in 1983, and the couple had three children. Johnnie served the city of New York for over twenty five years; working with the New York City Fire Department's Emergency Medical Service Unit.

Johnnie was an avid fisher, singer and an amazing cook. Whenever anyone came to see him, they immediately ask him to cook their favorite dish. He, without fail, complained but jumped up to make sure that they were happy.

Johnnie is survived by his daughters, Fabrae Harrell, Kimberly Smith (Shawn Thomas), Bianca Harrell, Kelly Gill (Jared Gill) and Yvette Reed-Bates; his sons, Corey Harrell, Sean Harrell and Shawnawin Dunbar; his brothers,

Vernon (Stephon) Bell and Sam (Chop) Harrell; his sister-in-law, Mashinda Harrell; his brother-in-law, Willie Johnson and a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, Johnnie Harrell, Sr. and Verna Bell and his sister, Noreen Johnson.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 31. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scarborough & Hargett Celebration of Life Center, Inc.  
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Durham, NC 27701  
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## Visitation

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Johnnie Willie Harrell, Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Sorry to hear about Mr Johnny he is with the Lord sleep on take your rest*

**Elder Allen Livingston And wife Preacher** - April 07, 2018 at 03:42 PM



“ *Our condolences to the Harrell family. May God comfort you with His love.*

**Carolyn Taborn** - March 29, 2018 at 07:57 PM



“ *Condolences to my family. This was such a great loss and it really hurts, but we will get through it. We are praying for strength right now as we have been tested with back to back losses, so stay strong in the Lord! Love, cuz Deborah McNeil Lloyd*



**Deborah** - March 29, 2018 at 07:04 PM