



Joya Hardy

August 16, 2023

Sister Joya “Sput” Hardy was born on October 4, 1957, to Evangelist Mary Alexander and Willie Lowery in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She graduated from Reynolds High School and Goodwill Industries.

Ms. Hardy was a former employee in the medical field as a CNA at the Oaks, Arbor Acres, and Mount Eagle HealthCare, where she cared for and deeply loved the patients. She actively served as the head of the Welcome Committee at New Direction Movement Cathedral. Besides supporting her family, friends, and community, she enjoyed gardening.

Joya Hardy passed away Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at Forsyth Memorial Hospital after a brief period of illness. In addition to her father, Willie Lowery, and stepfather, Timothy Alexander, Sr., she was preceded in death by her sister, Belinda Lowery, brother, Darrell Howell, and daughter, Charity Hardy.

Joya “Sput” Hardy is survived by her mother, Mary Alexander; children, Terrance “Rayvon” Hardy and James “Punkin” (Tashika) Hardy; sisters, Pamela Lindsay and Tamara Alexander; brothers, Timothy Alexander, Jr. Kenneth Wilkes, Timothy Sheff, and Philemon Wilkes; grandchild, Talaya McCullough; she is also survived by her aunts, nieces, nephews, and other loving relatives

and friends.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

New Direction Movement Cathedral
3300 Overdale Road
Winston-Salem, NC

Face Masks are Required

Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Mrs T lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy*



Mrs T - November 26, 2023 at 04:31 AM

MT

“ *My sista my sister my oldest sister... I miss you sooo much..💔
Love always your baby sister💔❤️🧡💚🖤*

Mrs T - November 26, 2023 at 04:28 AM

SA

“ *Joy was a wonderful woman. I won't forget the talks we had on her porch. Watching judge shows with her. My favorite memories with her is sitting outside and planting with her. I know she's up there dancing her heart out. My condolences go out to her family ❤️*

sage - September 06, 2023 at 10:01 AM

MP

“ *Mona Pie lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy*



Mona Pie - September 03, 2023 at 10:51 PM

MR

“ Michelle Ruth lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy



Michelle Ruth - August 26, 2023 at 07:32 PM

MR

My condolences to the Hardy Family RIP You will be missed truly ❤️❤️
Sad 😞

Michelle Ruth - August 26, 2023 at 07:34 PM

SD

“ Condolences to the Hardy family



Sonya Switzer & TuaJuana Durbin - August 25, 2023 at 11:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joya Hardy.



August 25, 2023 at 08:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joya Hardy.

August 25, 2023 at 08:48 PM

TM

“ Tonya M lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy



Tonya m - August 25, 2023 at 07:09 PM

TW

“ TERESA WEST lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy



TERESA WEST - August 25, 2023 at 01:18 PM

BH

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Joya Hardy. She and I grew up together on Cherry Street. She was a good, caring friend

L. "Buddy" Hayes

Buddy Hayes - August 25, 2023 at 12:36 PM

KW

“ OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES - PRAYERS.519'HARDY FAMILY



Katherine Wardlow - August 25, 2023 at 11:28 AM

GF

“ Heart felt condolences...sending prayers, strength, and love



Glymph Family - August 25, 2023 at 10:17 AM

DG

“ I was shocked to see that Joya had passed. It was only a couple months ago that we talked. Prayers for the family.. wow, that hurt!

Denise Bailey Glenn - August 24, 2023 at 07:37 PM

RH

“ Rella Joyce Hash lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy



Rella Joyce Hash - August 24, 2023 at 09:34 AM

CD

“ I remember how joyous she was and always the same when you saw her. My heart is heavy hear this about Sput!!!!!! My prayers are with y'all (my family)

Conrad Douthit - August 23, 2023 at 08:46 PM

TM

“ Tara McCorkle lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy



Tara McCorkle - August 23, 2023 at 03:57 PM

JG

“ I am sorry for your loss she was a sweet lady and a joy to be around I am going to her white. All my blessings. James Gentry love you all and take care.

James Gentry - August 23, 2023 at 02:52 PM

RL

“ To my sister I going to miss u so much I think the time when came to your house me Mama u looked out the door and shake your head and said oh no the both of them and me and Mama starte to laugh one Sunday just little things u did was so funny and how u look at people when have have got on your last nerves u would say no they didn't and big eyes roll in the back of your head sister I will never forget love and good we in church out of church with at Mama house how u rest u can breath good talk love u always I still older then u 😭 sister Ruth little

Ruth little - August 22, 2023 at 10:20 PM

VR

“ *Sput as i always called her was not only a friend, but they were family. for you're truly gonna be missed, I pray we will meet again on the other side of the stars. Rest up. Respectfully submitted. The Fleming and King Family.*



valerie k roberts - August 22, 2023 at 02:24 PM

KF

“ *My condolences to the family. I pray that God will comfort your hearts and will give you peace during this time of sorrow. My memory of Joya that she always made me smile and laugh. 'John 14' Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God also believe in me. God bless ,KimPenn&James Ford, and Shirley Penn*



Kim P Ford - August 22, 2023 at 08:24 AM

YG

“ *My full condolences to the Hardy Family. Sput was always nice to me and she will be truly missed.*

Yvonne Galloway - August 21, 2023 at 01:22 PM

EB

*U gonna be missed
We had fun in school even after our school day my condolences too
the Hardy family*

Edgar Bitting aka June bug - August 22, 2023 at 10:01 PM

LW

“ *Larnetra Williams lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy*



Larnetra Williams - August 21, 2023 at 10:09 AM

ZE

“ *Zena M Ervin lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy*



Zena M Ervin - August 20, 2023 at 08:34 PM

CM

“ *Joy I am gonna miss you so, so much , when you called me after your surgery , I thank God he kept you . But I know this wasn't God mistake . It was the mistake maded else where , but decided he wasn't gonna let you suffer so he needs you more . He said suffer not my child I need you more come go home with me and take your rest. I Love you joy because that Just what you was , joy in my heart. 🥹🥹 miss you baby.*

cuzin sandra morrison - August 20, 2023 at 12:33 AM

HR

“ *Helene Robinson lit a candle in memory of Joya Hardy*



Helene Robinson - August 19, 2023 at 11:31 PM

HR

*RIH MY DEAR FRIEND AND SISTER I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU
REST IN PEACE*

Helene Robinson - August 19, 2023 at 11:33 PM

HR

GONE BUT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

Helene Robinson - August 22, 2023 at 07:07 PM

HR

PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY

Helene Robinson - August 22, 2023 at 07:07 PM

MH

“ *Sending my condolences to Joya Hardy
Family a beautiful soul has gone home to
glory she will be missed hold on to those
great memories .*



Mandy Hickman-Phillips - August 19, 2023 at 11:23 AM

CC

“ *Cuzz you truly going to be missed right now it's
a void but with Jesus he will heal in a time like
this.*



Carolyn Rawlinson (aka) Cookie - August 18, 2023 at 07:44 PM

TW

JOYA WAS SO COOL I LOVED HER LIKE A SISTER WE WENT TO SCHOOL TOGETHER SHE'S MY DAUGHTER COUSIN LOVE YOU ALWAYS RIH MY BEAUTIFUL FRIEND

TERESA WEST - August 25, 2023 at 01:25 PM

TW

Just saw you a couple of weeks ago and of course you were your usual make you laugh type of person will miss running into you at our neighborhood Food Lion I will remember our last Laugh Condolences and Prayers to Entire Hardy Family

Tiffani & Penny Williams - August 25, 2023 at 01:49 PM