

Order of Service

Musical Prelude.....Brandon Young, Musician

Processional

Invocation ..... Rev. Walter Barnes

Scripture Reading..... Rev. Walter Barnes

Opening Hymn ..... Mary Floyd

Reading of the Obituary & Poem ..... Cheryl Siddiq

Selection..... Mary Floyd

Remarks

Selection..... Mary Floyd

Eulogy..... Rev. Walter Barnes

For Nuntie  
(Jacqueline L. Portlock)

By: J'Faz Sherry Cortez-Siddiq

Waking up to the smell of coffee on Sunday morning, running late  
Putting on a new dress from Jackie, when dresses I hate  
Voices of our Grandmother Ninnie, my mother, Nan, and Jackie ring in my ears  
Familiar shouts of “Frankie and Sherry,  
hurry so we’re not late for church” sound clear  
Dressed in fine coat, matching dress, with 3-inch heels is just a matter of fact  
As she walked out our door in dignity with a fashionable tilted hat  
Passing me the keys to the car, allowing us to take turns starting it up  
Always knowing how much we were loved, no matter how much we may mess up  
Christmases were filled with EVERYTHING  
circled in the Sear’s Christmas toy book  
Spending time Christmas hunting for toys in closets we looked  
Waking up every morning with no worry or cares  
Because we were blessed to have Jackie always there  
Now what do we do, without hearing your voice  
Giving us praise, sharing in our rejoice  
Who will pass us peppermints when our stomach is upset?  
Or rush to our side when we’re full of regrets  
Who will say, “I love you, love you, love you, too, too much with all my heart!!!”?  
Who will sing the wrong words or snap their fingers when the music starts?  
Who will say prayers with us when we’re struggling and praise the wins that we make?  
Who will make our 2-layer Strawberry birthday cakes?  
Who will pick us up when we fall and need help to stand?  
Who will call Nan, “Sherry aah-rah, I mean Nan”?  
Who will hug Kellie, Dawan, Jovan, and Monae?  
Who will scold us with, “You better do what I say”?  
Who will call out, “Hey Vallene,” when she sees her real loud?  
Who will clap the loudest, when we’re receiving awards and taking our bows?  
The void is humongous, the air is really thick  
The thought of you not being here any longer physically is making me sick  
But I know and understand that GOD plans are the best  
He wanted you with him, and you needed to rest  
So I’ll do my best to keep everyone intact and happy  
Reminiscing with them about our auntie... Jackie

Acknowledgement

The family of Jacqueline Loy Portlock would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions.  
Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly  
during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

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IN LOVING MEMORY

Jacqueline  
Loy Portlock



SEPTEMBER 3, 1930 – JUNE 27, 2021

MEMORIAL SERVICE  
Friday, July 2, 2021  
11:00 AM

G Choice Funeral Chapel, Inc.  
2530 N. Broad Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19132



## Obituary

*Jacqueline Loy Portlock* was born to her parents, Frank and Lillian Portlock (both deceased), on September 3, 1930. She is the baby sister of Nanette C. Boelter and big sister of Frank L. Portlock, Sr., both who preceded her in death. She gave birth to one son, Reggie; however, unfortunately, he drowned at age five. The birth of Cheryl A. Boelter (Siddiq) and Frank L. Portlock, Jr. helped with the healing of Reggie's loss, as they became her children for whom she doted on unapologetically.

Jackie, as she was affectionately called by family and friends, was raised, and attended schools in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Upon graduating high school, Jackie went to work at Quarter Masters where she was employed for over 10 years. It was during this time that many of the aunts and uncles that we have grown to love were adopted into our family. The most significant were her best friends, Aunt Alice, Aunt Loraine, and Aunt Sadie, all deceased.

As technology grew, Jackie enrolled in a technical program where she excelled in learning to key-punch cards which programmed mainframe computers. She graduated top of her class and was immediately employed by the United States Government as a computer key-puncher at Veteran's Administration on Wissahickon Avenue. Also, during this time, Jackie went to school to become a mixologist. She worked part-time on Saturdays at the Checkers Club. As technology grew, so did her career. Jackie worked as a computer operator, then became a computer programmer. She worked at the VA for 30 years before retiring to help care for her sister, who she affectionately called Big Nan because of Nan's large personality. After her sister succumbed to cancer, Jackie returned to the workforce. She worked at the Savage Corporation, an accounting firm, in downtown Philadelphia, before finally retiring.

Jackie is a devote Episcopalian and continued to be a member of the church her family attended, The Church of the Annunciation BVM. She served on the Vestry and financial boards until becoming physically disabled.

Jackie lived a rich life and traveled much. She traveled to Spain and took her sister cruising around the world. Her favorite place was Atlantic City, during the time when there were jazz shows and she and Frank would go there to see their friend Miles Davis. She was fashionable and classy. The neighbors on the 2700 block of 19th Street would wait patiently to see this trendsetter emerge from the house to attend a venue. Jackie didn't let any of us down, wearing full-length fox or minx coats with matching shoes and fly hats. She will always be remembered for the way that she dressed.

In addition to this memory is the way Jackie loved and treated her family and friends. Jackie loved her family. Their memories are preserved in the stories she told us about each one of them and life on Norris Street. The love and fondest of those memories were seen in her smile and laughter. Our tightly knitted family was full of love, music, dance, caring and giving; and because of this, our lives were rich. She shared an extremely close relationship with her mother Little Lill; sister, Big Nan; and her brother Frank. She was very close to her aunt Dorothy (Debbie or Singing-Sam) Boelter and cousin Jessica (Jessie "Just call me Baby, everybody does!") Lewis. She adored Nan's

## Precious Memories



husband Raymond (Rainbow) Boelter and his brother William (Uncle Bill) Boelter, who was married to Debbie who was also Jessie's mother and Little Lill's sister. She loved Aaron Lewis, Jessie's husband and admired his dress. She adored her cousins Ahmad Abdus-Sabor (Ronnie) and Bruce (Brucie) Boelter. She had unconditional love for the husbands of Cheryl, Jules Siddiq and Lisa, Darren Jennings. All of these loved ones preceded her in death, tore at her heart, and saddened her deeply.

To counterbalance those losses, she loved and spoiled without ceasing grandchildren Dawan and Naadirah Siddiq. She adored and praised grandchildren Kellie Miles, Jovan Portlock, and Monae Carpenter. She was proud of all of her great-grandchildren, the Siddiq Clan, which she affectionately named them; and Zion and Keyan whom she called Miles. She held special, in her heart, Valerie Lewis-Mobley, whom she affectionately called Vallene. She adopted Cathy and her daughter Little Lisa, Big Lisa and her daughter Victoria (Tori), and Joyce McFadden and her children Rasheedah, Nafis, and Tahirah into her circle of love and family. She enjoyed very much the Mother's Day gatherings with Geraldine Griffin. She was encouraging and helped everyone she could. There was always room for those that she met to become family. Don't get it mistaken though, Jackie would scold us all just as hard as she loved us! She had a way of telling you off without ever using profanity. She is a class act and highly respected among her peers.

Jackie is the wind beneath all of our wings. We unconditionally love her and will miss her forevermore!!!

She leaves to mourn, her children(niece/nephew): Cheryl (Sherry) Siddiq, Frank (Frankie) Portlock, Jr. Her grandchildren (grandnieces/nephews): Kellie (Andre) Miles, Dawan Siddiq, Naadirah (My baby Nan) Siddiq, Jovan Portlock, Monae Carpenter; her great-grandchildren (great-grandnieces/nephews): The Siddiq Clan (Nykerah, Najah, Shymir, Ahkir, Dawan Jr., Quadir, Wyzir, Zyhir, Kysir, Vahsir, and Geianna), Zion Small, and Keyan Miles; nephew: Kenny McCoy, nieces: Dana Lowery, and Indi Gallmon and cousins Gregory (Theresa) Lewis, Barry (Debbie) Lewis, Valerie (Anthony) Mobley, Karen Lewis, Anthony Lewis, Marcia Lewis, and Tammy Lewis; Beverly Boelter, Lisa Boelter, Rahdeem Boelter and Lisa's daughter; loved-children: Justine Williamson-Siddiq, Joyce (James) McFadden, Catherine Taylor, Lisa Jennings, Rasheedah Patterson, Nafis Karim, Lisa Carpenter, Tahirah Karim, Victoria Jennings, and Jamar Cook, Friends: Geraldine Griffin; her 19th Street family, her church family, caregiver: Anshia White, and a host of many other family and friends.