



## Jaria Nadine Bostic

August 30, 1958 - August 11, 2022

### OBITUARY

“I thought she’d live forever” was almost everyone’s initial response upon hearing of our dear mother’s passing. No one truly believed she’d live forever, for all our days are numbered, but God had given her the most amazing ability - resilience. While we are almost certain this resiliency was instilled in her long before we came to know her as our mother, it is no doubt the reason she was jokingly referred to as a cat because it’s said to have nine lives. Born in New York to the late Clyde Bostic and Gloria Granger on August 30, 1958, Jaria departed this life on Thursday, August 11, 2022.

Jaria Nadine Bostic made the Eastern Shore of Maryland her permanent home at an early age. She spent decades in the kitchens of many popular Ocean City restaurants doing something she loved and did best, which was cooking. Macaroni and cheese was her most requested dish when attending any food-related event, but being who she was, she never showed up without at least one additional dish, usually potato salad and a lemon cake. She loved to feed people, and, in many ways, this was one of her gifts.

She was also gifted in helping people, particularly children. In addition to her biological daughter, Shelly Nadine Bostic, she also opened her heart and home to her adopted children, Euchalla Simpson (Née Taylor) and Ta’Shawn

Collins and many more over the years who called her mom including her grandson, Daymont Mercer. Despite whatever limitations she thought she possessed, God provided her with the resources she needed to care for each child. And His provisions did not stop there. God blessed her with life years beyond doctors' predictions after being diagnosed with stage four non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (2006), and then stomach cancer (2014), which led to the removal of this vital organ. However, through it all she persevered.

In addition to her parents, Jaria was pre-deceased by her stepfather, Theodore Granger and brother, Clifford Bostic. In addition to her children, she leaves behind: her sister, Rita Granger; brother, Theodore Granger; seven (soon-to-be eight) grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She will always be remembered for her tenacious spirit and kind and generous heart.

SUBMITTED WITH LOVE ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 27. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Pullett U M Cemetery (Whaleysville, MD)  
11904 Blueberry Road  
Whaleysville, MD

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Geraldine Postley Thomas lit a candle in memory of Jaria Nadine Bostic*



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**Geraldine Postley Thomas** - August 31, 2022 at 11:06 PM