



Princess Phipps

March 23, 1923 - October 17, 2018

It is with great sadness that the family of Princess Louise Phipps announces her passing on Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at the age of 95 years. Princess was born in Almirante Bocas Del Toro, Republic of Panama to parents Mimis Audrea Masters and Herbert Alexander Masters. Princess, along with her four siblings, Herbert, Theodore, Joslyn and Aggie, lived in Panama until she was 8 years old. At the age of eight, her father moved the family to Kingston, Jamaica. In Kingston, the last son Sydney was born. Princess went to school and lived in Jamaica until the age 27 when she got on a plane, by herself, and headed to the United States. Princesses' first stop in the US was Melbourne, Florida where she worked in the household of her beloved Dr. Karen. It was in Melbourne where she met her soon to be husband, Martin W. Phipps. They courted, loved blossomed, and Martin proposed. Soon after, Martin whisked his new love to the island Barbados, W.I., his birth country. There they were married. When they returned to the States, the couple thought it would be best that they move out of the "Jim Crow South" so they headed to New York City, Brooklyn to be exact. Martin and Louise soon had two beloved children, Pauline (Paula) Mercedes Phipps and Cedric Martin Phipps. New to New York, Princess and Martin felt it best that they send their two children to Jamaica to allow them to get to know their relatives. It was during this time that Princess began working at Long Island College Hospital (LICH) in Brooklyn, New York. Princess would go on to work at LICH for 30 years in the Central Supply and Sterile Processing department

where she eventually became manager. Known for her soft, sweet, and kind personality, co-workers often fondly referred to her as "marshmallow." The couple eventually bought a home in Queens Village and they lived in that house for 35 years. It was in that house that Princess and Martin welcomed a host of family members and friends for dinners, family gatherings, short or long stays. Princess was devoted to her family and loved spending time with them, her children and grandchildren. One of the many ways she showed her love was in her cooking. She loved to cook and would often be found in the kitchen cooking delicious Jamaican dishes for her family and friends. Her house was always open and whenever you entered there was always a meal or something to eat or drink waiting for you. It was never a problem to add a plate or two or three to the table. All were welcome. After 35 long wonderful years in Queens, filled with loads of great memories, Princess finally retired and she and her husband Martin, her sister and brother, Aggie and Joslyn, moved to Ocala, Florida. The four lived together at 28 Pine Run and became members of the Shores Baptist Worship Center. Unfortunately, one by one the four started passing. First Martin, followed by Aggie and lastly Joslyn. At the age of 90, all alone, Princess realized it was time for some help. She moved into Marion Woods Independent Senior Living for a year. That soon became difficult and she moved to Atlanta to live with her daughter and grandson. It was in Atlanta that Princess Louise Phipps, the matriarch of the Masters family, finally took her last breath. Princess died as she lived, quiet and peacefully. Princess was pre-deceased by her husband of 50 years William Martin Phipps, son Cedric Martin Phipps and siblings: Theodore, Herbert, Joslyn, Sydney and Agnes. She leaves behind her daughter Pauline Mercedes Harris, her son-in-law Ralph Harris and his wife Patricia, grandsons Robert Huitt and Phillip Harris, 5 nephews: Carlton Masters, Edwin Masters, Tony Masters, and Patrick Masters; 11 nieces: Millicent Masters, Sharon Richie-Haughton, Jean Burke, Patricia Ferguson, Yvonne Williams, Carol Allison, Tony South, Angela Masters, Anna-Maria Rose-Kronz, Karen Masters-Gritzan, Jackie Singleton, and a host of cousins, grandnieces,

grandnephews, and cousins.

Tribute Wall



“ *To our beloved Aunt Lou thank you for always teaching me about our history and loving us all,so glad you got spend time with baby Olivia. To Paula and rest of the family much love.*

Vanessa, Akwasi and baby Olivia - October 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM