



Edward Gooding

October 14, 1953 - June 10, 2025

Edward Adolphus Gooding passed away on June 10th 2025. Edward A. Gooding was a devoted husband, brother, father, and grandfather to 2 fur babies. Edward A. Gooding was born on October 14th, 1953 to his beloved parents Hyacinth Payne & Arnold Greaves. Edward was the third born of his siblings. Edward was raised on the beautiful island of Barbados for most of his youth. When Edward was old enough. He traveled the world as a seaman for several years . This is where Edward transition from being an adolescent to adulthood.

In 1979 decided to relocate to New York City to create a better quality of life for his family back on the island and with his love interest Grace. Grace and Edward were friends since they were six years of age. Nothing kept the two love birds apart. It was unconditional love that kept them together for over sixty years. Edward A. Gooding was a man of many talents. He was able to adapt to any work environment. Edward's passion was construction. He would read book after book to enhance his skillset. His talents lead him to be a plumber, electrician, carpenter and more. If you needed something built from he was the person to call and ensured he provided quality service at every job.

Edward Gooding was not a man of many words but he was a man of action. He was often misunderstood because of his morals and family values. He

believed in keeping family together regardless of the circumstances. Edward Gooding never allowed anyone or anything to change his ideology. He believed in youth not only learning in the classroom but also engaging in trades. He believed in learning more than one skillset so you can turn a trade in to entrepreneurship opportunity. Edward was always willing to teach those that were willing to learn.

In 2021 after the passing of his soulmate Edward A. Gooding co- founded GKBG Youth and Senior Empowerment Services LLC. Their key phrase was Life doesn't end at retirement; it is the beginning of a new phase of life that should be spent with your loved ones or people that are dedicated to assisting others. Family is not always blood. GKBG create multi generational connections between youth and seniors, health education for seniors and youth, develop community gardens for healthy cooking, family outings, assist with senior skill development and more. The next phase was to transition what we have created here to their beloved island of Barbados.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peters Church Of Deliverance Ministries
937 Home Street
Bronx, NY 10459

Tribute Wall

PM

“ I never thought I would lose two of the most special people in my life so close together, auntie Grace and uncle Edward. They were my surrogate parents. They always made me feel loved and supported me in whatever I did.

Uncle Edward taught me a lot about life, things you only understand as you get older.

Things like not compromising on your values as they define who you are and what you stand for

How important honesty and integrity are.

That relationships are not always roses. But if you trust in the love that brought you together you can overcome anything

If you're going to do something do it well. Be confident in your ability to succeed.

Love the people that are important to you with everything that you have. They will be the ones by your side when life gets tough.

Harriet is such a strong, independent black woman. But she's also full of kindness and compassion. None of that would have been possible without her parents. I am so proud that that they were my beloved auntie and uncle. Now that they are finally reunited, the true love of each other's lives, I know that they will rest in paradise for ever. Love you always x

Patricia Miller - July 16, 2025 at 04:04 PM

HB

Beautiful dedication Patricia...

Harriet Burnett-Livermore - September 15, 2025 at 12:25 PM

KB

“ I didn’t want to take up too much time earlier as I shared the poem for my uncle, but I would be remiss not to say this:

I’m honored to have spoken today on behalf of my mother, Monica Boyce, who couldn’t be here in person but joined us remotely from Barbados. She is Uncle Edward’s younger sister—next in line among their seven siblings. Many people often mistook them for fraternal twins—not because they were close in age, but because of the quiet rhythm of DNA their father gifted within their faces. But more than that, he was her big brother—protective, vocal, and present—and she will carry his memory with her every day of her life.

I may not resemble Uncle Edward—just like our cousin Harriet, I take after their mother, Hyacinth Payne, née Gooding. My mother and Harriet’s father, on the other hand, were the spitting image of their father, Arnie Greaves. And now, Hyacinth and Arnie have welcomed their first child home. What a reunion that must be—Uncle Edward, reunited with Grace, and with his mother and father, husband and wife. And what comfort it brings to imagine that kind of love still unfolding, even beyond this world.

I was also joined today by my father, Anthony Boyce, and his wife, Sharon. Like Uncle Edward, my father is a man of deep conviction. In the forty years I’ve been blessed to know him, I’ve seen him sad—but rarely have I seen him cry. When he heard the news of Uncle Edward’s passing, my father wept. Not just from grief, but in the way only love can.

Despite the challenges life brings, the complexities of family, and all that comes with it—one thing remains true: Uncle Edward was deeply loved. So again, I want to say how grateful we are to honor his life and celebrate the beautiful family he built and nurtured.

I echo my brother Dwayne in saying: “They say it takes a village to raise a child, and he was certainly part of that village for me.”

Harriet, may our village continue to surround you, hold you close, and may it keep you.

With deep and earnest love, and infinite peace, we send our hearts to you and Nick. May you always have enough—for the abundance of love your family has carried in this chapter, the next, and the many still to come.



Kimberly Janelle Boyce - July 12, 2025 at 04:27 PM

DW

“ Even though I wasn’t as close to my uncle Edward in recent years, I’ll always remember the impact he had on my life. When I was a child, he would cook for me and share words of wisdom that have stayed with me to this day. One of his favorite sayings was, “You eat to live; you don’t live to eat,” and it became a road map for me to understand the importance of taking care of my health. When he was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, he didn’t let it defeat him—he completely changed his life around and encouraged me to do the same.

Uncle Edward also taught me not to make excuses but to find a way forward, no matter the challenge. His entrepreneurial spirit was contagious, and his example inspired me to believe in myself, to go out and make my own money, and to take risks to build something of my own.

They say it takes a village to raise a child, and he was certainly part of that village for me. I’d like to believe I was his favorite nephew because he always took the time to impart his knowledge and share pieces of his life with me.

Rest in peace, Uncle Edward. Thank you for the lessons, the encouragement, and the memories. You will be missed.

Dwayne - July 12, 2025 at 12:59 AM



“ Good Morning Family:

Here is the link for the celebration of life service for Mr. Edward A. Gooding.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83000297180?pwd=Z0VxcDdjDI3ZGdoRW5MazRiZWIXQT09> (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83000297180?pwd=Z0VxcDdjDI3ZGdoRW5MazRiZWIXQT09>)

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Harriet Burnett - July 11, 2025 at 10:55 AM

KB

“ There is love, and there is being loved. Uncle Edward had both.

He was uniquely gifted—something special resonated from his spirit—and I’m forever grateful to have known him closely. He was more than my mother’s older brother, more than one of my father’s associates. He was my uncle, and a very special one.



I still remember the day he saved my life when I tried to play Chef GirlarB, microwaving my lunch—foil wrap and metal fork included. Uncle Edward didn’t visit often, but that day, he came knocking at the door. All he said was, “Kimberly, what are you doing?”—just as the foil and fork began to spark in the microwave a few feet away. To this day, I still wonder: How did he know? That moment went beyond maternal or paternal instinct. The family just knows.

That and a couple other stories of me and my Uncle, I will keep safe with me forever. In this lifetime and the next.

May you fly free, Uncle Edward.

And may love greet you now in ways it never quite could on this earthly plane.

May you rest in unconditional comfort, peace, ease, and everlasting paradise. And may Grace keep you now and forevermore.

With the greatest of love,

Kimberly

On behalf of the Boyce Families

Kimberly J. Boyce - July 10, 2025 at 12:00 PM

JB

“ May you rest in peace with Auntie Grace. I still remember our trip to see you when my son was only 2 years old and the lessons you taught us. Love Julie, Nathan and Ellie x



Julie Burnett - July 10, 2025 at 01:18 AM

VA

“ RIP King Edward. This nickname was given to him by Buddy Rayside because his sister would drop everything to drive him to see his queen and his queen would immediately drop all other tasks and friends to be with the king. May they both rest in perfect peace.



Velma Alleyne - July 09, 2025 at 10:39 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Gooding.



July 09, 2025 at 06:48 PM

IE

“ My friend my friend it's really still hard to believe but I want to say thank you for the many teaching, things that I will forever have with me and can pass along. I always gave you ur flowers and appreciated everything so to my friend thank you and you'll always be in my heart...Love

leysha - July 08, 2025 at 03:13 PM



“ *Message from Leola Taylor (Pep) Thank you Eddie! I can't believe you are gone. We were friends for over 40 years. You always looked out for my daughter Lisa and myself. It was hard enough when you all relocated from Harlem to move upstate.*

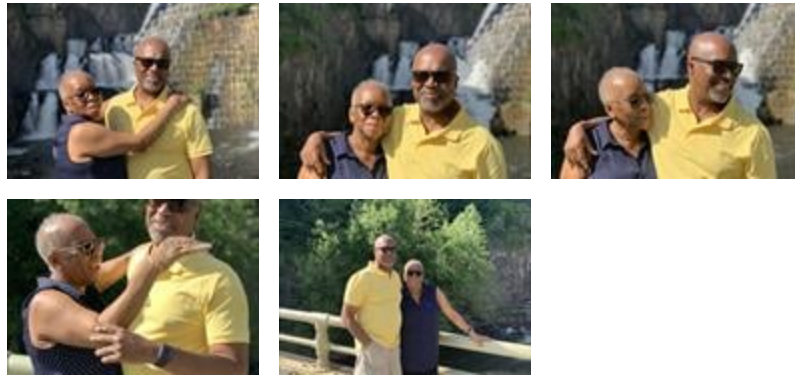


We use to have some good old times on the weekends and holidays. Look how life is.... I. Am here laughing and crying about those old times. You know I am going to have me a large glass of Grey Goose in your honor. Even though I know you hated when I would drink. But buddy this is a hard pill for me to swallow. Thank you for everything! 40 years of friendship! I know you are reunited with your true love. Sleep in ParadiseBarbados here we come!!!!

Harriet Burnett - July 08, 2025 at 03:04 PM



“ *Reunited in heaven.... The love was real and unconditional!*



Harriet Burnett - July 04, 2025 at 01:19 PM



“ *GKBG/4Ever Elite feeds the community at Riverbank State Park Labor Day weekend in honor of Momma Grace....*



Harriet Burnett - July 04, 2025 at 01:06 PM



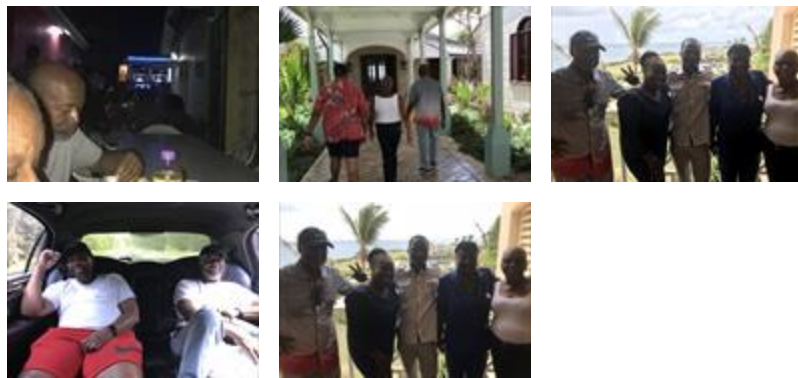
“ *Hospital Police purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Edward Gooding.*



Hospital Police - June 24, 2025 at 04:51 PM



“ *Great memories together*

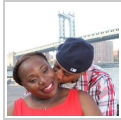


Harriet Burnett - June 20, 2025 at 05:47 PM

ON

Im truly saddened by the passing of your father. I've never had the pleasure of meeting him but he is clearly a soul filled with light and he will forever be remembered as so. Please don't forget you have a village here by your side if you ever need anything. You and your family will remain in my prayers, much love.

Olivia Nelson - June 23, 2025 at 11:46 AM



Thank you Olivia

Harriet Burnett - July 04, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ *My Beloved Father.... I miss you so much! My heart aches daily. I know you're in a better place. We miss your presence especially during family time. Thank you for your teachings, inspiration, devotion and empowerment. I know you are at peace and reunited with your true love in paradise. It is that one thought that is keeping me sane. I love you now, always and forever.*

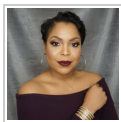


Harriet Burnett - June 20, 2025 at 05:16 PM

DO

May God give you and family strength during this difficult timestime. ❤️
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domonic - June 20, 2025 at 06:04 PM



Your father, Mr. Gooding was an incredible person. I am blessed to have met and known him. He lives forever in spirit and in your heart. May God comfort you and your family during this time.

Joy James - June 21, 2025 at 02:16 PM

RG

*Sincere condolences from the Greaves & Welch family in Barbados.
Rest in eternal peace Uncle Edward 🕊️*

Raschelle Barrow nee Greaves - June 22, 2025 at 02:47 PM

JG

There are no words to comfort you at this time but remember God promise to be with us always. He is your source of strength at this time. Deepest condolences in this difficult time. Thoughts and prayers are always with you and your family. May his soul Rest In Peace. He is reunited with his beloved.

*Love and blessings
Dana and Jackie Grosvenor*

Jacqueline Grosvenor - June 22, 2025 at 03:11 PM

AG

My condolences to you and your family. Your love and appreciation for your dad makes one see that he was a good dad. Be comforted to know that he was round for you and family. May God give you peace as you mourn and celebrate the legacy of your dad.

Angella Golding

Angella Golding - June 23, 2025 at 11:28 AM



Thank you all for your support! He was a great father. He earned his wings prior to his early departure. We miss him dearly.

Harriet Burnett - June 23, 2025 at 02:03 PM

YG

It saddens our hearts to hear about uncle Edward's passing. Condolences from his brother, Colvin, and his family in Delaware.

May he rest in peace ❤️

Yolanda Gooding - June 25, 2025 at 08:08 PM

VA

Family, I'm so sorry for your lost. Its taken me almost a month to accept that Edward is no longer with us, but I'm comforted knowing he's with the love of his life.

It's heartbreaking thinking that I'll no longer have him to turn to for guidance and advice. Edward and I talked about things he wanted to do before life fails him. I'm shock his time was cut so soon. Rest in peace my brother I really missed you. 🙏

Velma Alleyne - July 01, 2025 at 05:22 PM



Thank you Auntie Velma! His aspirations will come to reality. Nick, Patricia and myself are going to make sure it does.

Harriet Burnett - July 04, 2025 at 12:58 PM