



## Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens

December 7, 1951 - May 23, 2023

UTICA- Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens, age 71, transitioned to heaven on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, with the love and support of his family by his side.

Harry was born on December 7, 1951, in Bartow, FL, to the late Clarence and Isabelle (Johnson) Bivens. He was raised and educated in Polk County, FL.

Harry started his working career along the east coast picking in-season fruit and vegetables for farms. Always a hard worker, Harold came to Utica around 1978 and was employed at Utica Radiator until their closing. He went on to work for O-W Hubble & Sons, now known as Hubble Galvanizing, the position from which he retired.

On September 14, 2013, Harry married Cynthia Patterson. They could always find a reason to laugh and smile. They shared a love of music, concerts, spontaneity, and mutual respect for one another.

Harry was an all-around nice guy who loved dancing, fishing, and grilling. He loved his family gatherings, and appreciated a good meal and friendships made at a party, and enjoyed dressing up for the occasion. With his green thumb, he knew how to garden, especially peppers and he always shared his bounty. He was a dedicated fan of the Dallas Cowboys. Every year he looked forward to choosing a new place to travel to for vacation, as well as the annual July Thousand Islands trip. He loved the fishing and enjoyed the views from the water's edge. He was a member of the Corn Hill Fish & Game Club.

Harry is survived by his wife, Cynthia; and his daughter, Aaliyah Bivens and her son. He is also survived by his siblings, twin sister Elder Harriet Bivens,

Gloria Skipworth (predeceased by brother-in-law "Skip"), and Loretta Boone. He was predeceased by his siblings, Clarence Bivens, Jr., and Suzette Williams. He leaves behind his sister-in-law, Betty Bivens; a host of nieces and nephews including Darrell and Shirelle Bivens, Jamel Moyer, Bryan Patterson, Sr., Isabelle Spencer, and Tony Jones; great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; and in-laws, Patricia Patterson, Daniel Patterson Jr., Oscar Patterson with whom he shared a close friendship, Elizabeth Patterson-Moyer, and Booker Patterson. He cherished friendships with Jesse Patterson, Les Dawson, Alexander Steele, and Stephon Bennett. Harry was predeceased by his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Lois Wilcox, Samuel Patterson, Willie Lou Patterson, and Floyd Patterson.

A special thank you is extended to Doug Brown, Sr., for taking care of Harold and Cynthia's home as if it were his own. Thanks as well to Elder Bernice Brown, Ms. Patricia Derek, and Ms. Rhonda Wells.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 1, 2023 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Harry's Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will immediately follow at the funeral home at 5:00 p.m. Interment will take place on Friday, June 2, 2023 in Forest Hill Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Hill Cemetery

2201 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

## Home Going Service

JUN 1. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest condolences. Rest in heaven unc- I know my daddy is so happy to reunite with you in heaven. With deepest sympathy- your niece Katecha Bivens- Orlando, FL*

K - June 25, 2025 at 08:58 AM



“ *Daddy,you really messed me up with this one,it's so much I wanted to tell you,the fact that you never met your only grandson,bothers me.My heart is just so broken.You were the last piece.To lose both parents and not even be 30 is a lot.I feel like a lost child,I feel alone.i just want you and my mommy back.ita so much unfortunately this box isn't big enough for me to express how I'm feeling.im glad your not hurting and suffering anymore,I really wish there was more time for us.Your grandson Nd I love u with everything in us,and I promise to do right by him no matter what life throws at me,I won't give up,and i really wish I could have been there💔*  
*-Aaliyah R Bivens*



Aaliyah Bivens - June 11, 2023 at 09:43 PM



*My prayers are with you & your son Aaliyah. I had no idea my uncle had transitioned. My father (his brother Clarence) is also an angel in heaven with him.*

K - June 25, 2025 at 09:01 AM

JM

“*Unc,  
You will be greatly missed. Gone by never forgotten. I remember when you came into life. Thank you for all the love, support and loving my aunt. I will always cherish the moments we share from dancing, fishing, watching football and spending time together. Every cookout I will be sure to hit your famous dance move (lol). I love and miss you unc until we meet again please continue to protect and watch over my auntie.*

*Smooth*

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**Jamel A. Moyer** - June 05, 2023 at 09:28 PM

JR

“*Josephine Webb Richardson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens*



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**Josephine Webb Richardson** - June 02, 2023 at 05:34 AM

TM

“*To our dear friend & sister, Cynthia & the entire Bivens & Patterson families... please know that you are loved and you are in our prayers. Love Jerry & Tyra McKinsey & family.*

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**Tyra McKinsey** - June 01, 2023 at 02:06 PM

CN

“*Cynthia, My thoughts and prayers to you and your family.*

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**Chris Noffer** - May 30, 2023 at 07:37 PM

KM

“ Cynthia,  
Keeping you in my thoughts & prayers.



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**Kathy Mathews** - May 29, 2023 at 09:13 PM

DT

“ Praying for Comfort and Strength for the  
Family.



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**Diane Tanner** - May 29, 2023 at 09:04 AM

EM

“ Our Prayers and Thoughts Are With You. God is Your Comforter .  
Eleanor (Lois Steele) McDonald

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**Eleanor McDonald** - May 29, 2023 at 08:17 AM

CC

“ Carla Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Harry "Harold" Bivens



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**Carla Clark** - May 28, 2023 at 09:36 PM

DW

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Cynitha and the Bivens family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dawn and Jim Winston*



**Dawn Winston** - May 28, 2023 at 06:14 PM

SW

“ *My sincere and deepest condolences to Cynthia and the rest of the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all 🙏*



**Sherisse Wells** - May 28, 2023 at 04:46 PM

FG

“ *My deepest condolences to Mrs Cynthia Bivins and their family.*



**Felicia M Greene** - May 28, 2023 at 12:13 PM

IC

“ *Sending prayers and blessings from Cook family*



**Ida Cook** - May 28, 2023 at 12:40 AM

GW

“ Cynthia I'm am so certain sorry for your loss of your husband. You and your family are in my prayers.  
Your loving friend,  
Gretchen Wellington

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**Gretchen Wellington** - May 27, 2023 at 09:32 PM

AU

“ Alex & U'nice lit a candle in memory of Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens



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**Alex & U'nice** - May 26, 2023 at 09:48 PM

RS

“ Sorry for the loss of your love one  
Hershel Walker & Rose Pearson-Simmons



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**Rosean Simmons** - May 26, 2023 at 06:29 PM

PB

“ Paulette Brown-Haithcox lit a candle in memory of Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens



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**Paulette Brown-Haithcox** - May 26, 2023 at 05:44 PM

PB

*Cynthia and family. I send my deepest condolences and prayers on your loss 🙏🙏🙏*

**Paulette Brown-Haithcox** - May 26, 2023 at 05:45 PM

RW

“*Rhonda Wells lit a candle in memory of Mr. Harry "Harold" Bivens*



**Rhonda Wells** - May 26, 2023 at 05:08 PM