



Bessie Lee Gaines

January 18, 1924 - September 18, 2002

Bessie Gaines, daughter of the late Lee Saunders Gatlin and Alberta Gatlin was born on January 18, 1924 in Rich Square, North Carolina. On September 18, 2002, in the midst of the day, God mercifully called this angel from earthly labor to heavenly reward. She received her education from Creecy High School and graduated in 1944. She furthered her education at the University of Chicago Nursing School until illness prevented her from completing her RN Degree. Bessie met and married Jack Edgar Powell and out of this union one son was born. She later met and married George Gaines and from this union ten children were born. Bessie attended Bethel A.M.E. Church until her illness prevented her from doing so. She was saved, loved the Lord and enjoyed the worship experience. She loved to read and enjoyed going shopping. Momma leaves to cherish her memory: seven sons, Gene Powell of New York, Zachary of New Jersey, Gregory, Kenneth, George Jr., Maurice and Arthur Gaines; three daughters, Annette Brown, Paulette Thompson and Alverta Stewart; three sisters, Bonnie Scott of North Carolina, Geneva Howard and Doris Bond both of New York; five daughters-in-law, Anastasia, Rhonda, Emma, Bertha and Hattie Gaines all of Baltimore, Maryland; one brother-in-law, Lance Howard of New York; twenty-six grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie Lee Gaines*

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“ *He healeth the broken hearted...Psalm 147:3 Sometimes words just are not enough to take away our grief, so we rely on God for help and strength in our belief. May He uplift you greatly, take the sorrow that you bear, than comfort you with healing in the safety of His care... May God's love comfort you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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