



## Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam

November 21, 1950 - August 5, 2012

Gail Criss Gilliam departed this life, August 5, 2012 in Chippenham Hospital, Richmond, VA. She was born on November 21, 1950 in Richmond, Virginia. She was the oldest daughter of Bernard and Viola Criss.

Gail graduated from Maggie Walker High School in Richmond, VA. She worked at the Department of Social Services for a number of years.

She joined Moore Street Baptist Church at an early age. Later Gail joined St. Paul's Baptist Church in 1971, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Lance D. Watson, where she attended until her illness. She was a member of the ISSA Usher's Ministry.

Gail touched the lives of many with her kind and gentle spirit. Gail had a natural talent of creating delicious home cooked soul food meals in less than an hour for a multitude of people. A dinner would not be complete without Gail's golden corn pudding, potato salad, salmon cakes or fried chicken. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister who built a foundation for her family. We were blessed to have her blood run through our veins. She found joy in making us happy. Gail was very fashionable and enjoyed dressing up for any occasion. Gail loved and cherished her grandchildren. They were her pride and joy.

Gail leaves to cherish her memory, a devoted husband, James Gilliam, Sr.; one son, James Gilliam, Jr.; three devoted grandchildren; Jade, Janaan and Jamil Gilliam; parents, Viola and Bernard Criss; two sisters, Christa Davis (James) and Joyce Criss; one brother, Bernard Criss, Jr, one sister-in-law, Inell Gordon (George); three brothers-in-law, Clarence Gilliam, Paul Gilliam, James Davis and a host of devoted friends and family.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Calvary Cemetery

1401 S. Randolph St.  
Richmond, VA 23220

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 10. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

AUG 10. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

AUG 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Gail was very loving, kind, and sweet to her family and friends. She always made everyone feel welcome, and they were blessed by her faith-filled presence.* 📖🙏❤️😊

**Lavita James** - August 04, 2022 at 06:37 AM



“ *Love you auntie hope your feeling great in heaven*

**jih=a** - October 02, 2017 at 11:18 AM



“ *Muriel J. Coleman sent a virtual gift in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam*



**Muriel J. Coleman** - August 21, 2012 at 03:20 PM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 3yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

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**Ms Springer** - August 11, 2012 at 02:07 PM

MW

“ Marnica Wright lit a candle in memory of Gail  
Theresa Criss Gilliam



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**Marnica Wright** - August 11, 2012 at 10:23 AM

SK

“ Steve Kendell lit a candle in memory of Gail  
Theresa Criss Gilliam



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**Steve Kendell** - August 11, 2012 at 10:16 AM



“ *Natalie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam*



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**Natalie Thompson** - August 10, 2012 at 06:00 PM

RM

“ *One of God's Angels now.*

*From: Pam & Rod Moore*



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**Rod Moore** - August 10, 2012 at 04:33 PM

VH

“ *Vanessa Bryant Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam*



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**Vanessa Bryant Hamilton** - August 10, 2012 at 03:51 PM

CH

“ *Charles, Vanessa And Briana Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam*



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**Charles, Vanessa and Briana Hamilton** - August 10, 2012 at 03:50 PM

CG

“ Carolyn Graham lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam



Carolyn Graham - August 09, 2012 at 08:58 AM

AP

“ Alice Peterson lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam



Alice Peterson - August 08, 2012 at 09:42 PM

DB

“ Donna Brown lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam



Donna Brown - August 08, 2012 at 12:32 PM

SS

“ Sandra Spady lit a candle in memory of Gail Theresa Criss Gilliam



Sandra Spady - August 08, 2012 at 12:17 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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**March Funeral Homes** - August 07, 2012 at 01:04 PM