



Gaynell Elizabeth Woodson

December 4, 1925 - September 29, 2002

Sunday, September 29, 2002, in the late evening hours, our Heavenly Father came for His dear Gaynelle as her work on this earth was complete. In Lynchburg, Virginia on December 4, 1925, the late Walter M. and Lillian B. Vannison were blessed with a second child, Gaynelle Elizabeth. She was educated in the public school and received her religious instruction there; late, she moved to Baltimore, Maryland. It was here where Gaynelle pursued her social, career and spiritual endeavors. To know Gaynelle was to love her. Blessed with the warmest of personalities, she was never too tired to lend an ear or give a consoling pat on the back. Never one to dwell on her misfortunes, she focused wholeheartedly on being of service to others. As such, Gaynelle became the surrogate mother of her Lafayette Avenue community. Additionally, she availed herself as a Volunteer Parent at the James Mosher Elementary School for over twenty-five years. The center of Gaynelle's life was that of her family and friends. She loved being with them. One of her favorite pastimes was sitting in her backyard conversing with the neighbors and listening to the Orioles baseball games. Her greatest joys were Adria and Dana. She was a proud mother and grandmother as well as a loving daughter, sister, aunt and friend. Gaynelle's spirit will remain in the hearts of all that knew and loved her. Her husband, Stokes, preceded Gaynelle in death. Her memory will be cherished by: loving daughter and grandson, Adria and Dana; brother, Walter Vannison; sisters, Helen Rios, Cora Fitzgerald, Margaret Thompson, Lillian Jones, Betty Withers and Sophier

Vannison; three brothers-in-law, four sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, cousins and other relatives and friends. Gaynelle was joined in marriage to her beloved Van Stokes Woodson. From this union was born a daughter, Adria. Gaynelle was a devoted wife. She and Stokes enjoyed a long and fruitful life together.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gaynell Elizabeth Woodson*

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“ *Gaynell Elizabeth Woodson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our prayers and love to you and your family in the passing of your loved one. May God’s love comfort you in your hours of bereavement.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time of your loss. May you find comfort in knowing that God will never leave you nor forsake you. You can draw on His strength and He will direct your path.##imported-begin##Jeri Swann##imported-end##*

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“ *Be of good courage and He shall strengthen your heart. May you find comfort in knowing that our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Joseph & Mable Gregory##imported-end##*

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“God has no sorrow that heaven can not heal.” If we can be of assistance in any way we're more than willing to help. Terry and Marion##imported-begin##Marion T. Carter##imported-end##

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“ We THANK God foremost for Ms. Woodson being the person she was & the influence in our lives. We are forever grateful; her love will remain in our hearts.##imported-begin##Joann & Yolanda##imported-end##

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“ *The Valley Of The Shadow by: Calvin Hart As we walk through this life of joys and sorrow, We glimpse the valley of the shadow of Death, Especially when a friend or loved one, Draws their last mortal breath, Death is a part of living, And something we all must face, We all start to die from the moment we are born, The result of sin in the human race. Thoughts of the valley of the shadow of death, Strikes fear in the hearts of men, They make men break out in a cold,cold sweat, They make men cower and cringe. We don't like to think about dying, We feel that it is an end, When in truth it is but a doorway, To a new life for us to began. What type of new life it will be, Is up to us to decide, Everlasting torment in the flames of hell, Or everlasting paradise at the Savior's side. Sin began with Adam and Eve, Death is that sin's costly price, Though sin begins at the moment of birth, It ends with the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus was sent from our Father above, To be born unto mortal men, To die on the cross at Calvary, For His blood to wash away all our sins. He walked through the valley of the shadow of death, So that by His death we might be saved, But the darkness of the shadow could not hold Him, For He rose up again from the grave. He walked again among the living, As proof of His power and might, To show that the shadows of the valley, Succumb to His everlasting light. If we accept Jesus Christ as our Savior, He will be our light, and our guide, And when we enter the valley of the shadow of death, He will be right by our side. He will hold our hands, and guide us home, To heavens crystal sea shore, Where in His love, power and grace, We will live forever more.##imported-begin##Bishop & Lady LinWood D. Swann##imported-end##*

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“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to Adria and Dana during this time of sadness. The Lord does not give us more to bear than we can endure. Stay strong and He will carry you through this and be there whenever you need Him. Love, Jackie###imported-begin##Jacqueline Woodson###imported-end##

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“ Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to the family. Mrs. Woodson was a dear neighbor for many years and will truly be missed. Please let us know if there is anything we can do. Sincerely, Sylvia(Miss Smith), Dwight,Ilisa(Bucky), Lillian(Tudy)###imported-begin##Sylvia S. Morris and Family###imported-end##

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