



Geneva A. Harris

June 14, 1940 - March 29, 2020

Geneva Agnes Waller was born on June 14, 1940 to Charles Jr. and Evaline Waller in South Boston (Halifax County), Virginia. After the early death of her mother, Geneva moved to Crewe, Virginia where she was raised by her aunt and uncle, Nannie and Isaac Williams. After graduating from Luther H. Foster High School in 1959, she later worked there as a receptionist. Geneva married Lafayette Harris on October 8, 1960 in Nottoway County, Virginia. They had three children Andrea, Lafayette Jr. and Vincent. As a military wife and homemaker, Geneva kept the household during Lafayette's overseas assignments both alone and later when the whole family was in Germany for three years. When the kids were old enough Geneva returned to her passion of education.

She received her bachelor's degree in 1981 from Coppin State College. She began teaching in the Baltimore City Public School System at that time. She continued her education, earning a master's degree from Coppin State College in 1996. She continued to work with special needs children in the Baltimore City Public School system until her retirement in 2004.

She has been devoted member of Fountain Baptist Church in Baltimore for many years. She sang on the Gospel Jubilee and Mass Choirs. Her favorite song as "Precious Lord". She was also a member of the Pastor's Aide Ministry. She enjoyed playing the piano and the organ. She also spent time at

the following senior centers: The Ivy Center in the Eating Together program, the Zeta Center, Catonsville Senior Center and Langston Hughes Center.

In her spare time, Geneva enjoyed working in her gardens which she groomed year round. She always kept beautiful flowers on display which helped make sitting on the front porch so enjoyable. She also enjoyed bringing her family together for a meal. We thank God for our matriarch, our inspiration, our spiritual rock, our problem solver. In so many ways she let us know we were loved and thought of and she always had an encouraging word. She always made sure we knew family staying together was of the utmost importance.

She is survived by her husband, Lafayette Harris Sr.; three children, Andrea Harris-Lomax (Roosevelt) Lafayette Harris Jr., and Vincent Harris (Denise); seven grandchildren, Monquie Jackson (Michael), Kevin Tyler Jr. (Maya), Nicholas Harris, Lafayette "Javi" Harris, Nathaniel Harris, Elian Harris and Noelle Harris; two great-grandchildren, Malachi and Minneiah Jackson; a younger sister Rebecca Williams of Hackensack, NJ, (her sister Rossie Parham and brother Charles Waller III preceded her in passing); one brother-in-law Raleigh Harris (Jane) of Williamsburg, VA and Eva Harris of Baltimore, MD.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jeanne Kline Hudnell lit a candle in memory of Geneva A. Harris* ”



Jeanne Kline Hudnell - April 30, 2024 at 07:05 AM



“ *Geneva A. Harris* ”

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

“To Lafayette and family: I'm praying your strength in the Lord as you deal with the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother etc. Every time that I saw Geneva she was always smiling, talking about God and encouraging people. She will be greatly missed. I leave Proverbs 31:10-31 with you: Who can find a virtuous and capable wife? She is more precious than rubies. Her husband can trust her, and she will greatly enrich his life. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. She finds wool and flax and busily spins it. She is like a merchant's ship, bringing her food from afar. She gets up before dawn to prepare breakfast for her household and plan the day's work for her servant girls. She goes to inspect a field and buys it; with her earnings she plants a vineyard. She is energetic and strong, a hard worker. She makes sure her dealings are profitable; her lamp burns late into the night. Her hands are busy spinning thread, her fingers twisting fiber. She extends a helping hand to the poor and opens her arms to the needy. She has no fear of winter for her household, for everyone has warm[b] clothes. She makes her own bedspreads. She dresses in fine linen and purple gowns. Her husband is well known at the city gates, where he sits with the other civic leaders. She makes belted linen garments and sashes to sell to the merchants. She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future. When she speaks, her words are wise, and she gives instructions with kindness. She carefully watches everything in her household and suffers nothing from laziness. Her children stand and bless her. Her husband praises her:

“There are many virtuous and capable women in the world, but you surpass them all!”

Charm is deceptive, and beauty does not last; but a woman who fears the Lord will be greatly praised. Reward her for all she has done. Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.” This was Ms. Geneva Harris

Rev. Dr. Augustus G. Harris I

VH

Yes indeed. Thank you Lord for my mom. Thank you for your tribute Cousin Gus.

Vincent Harris - April 04, 2020 at 12:30 PM

VH

“ *In loving memory of a beautiful cousin.*



Vannice 'Bunny' Harris - April 02, 2020 at 06:41 PM

CF

“ *To Lafayette and family, my prayers are with you during your time of bereavement. Mrs. Geneva was a loving person who loves God and her family. Her spirit will live forever and may God Bless each and every one of you.*



Corey Fowlkes - April 02, 2020 at 05:02 PM

LN

“ *Geneva and I had the same music teacher and we would eat lunch together every Tuesday with the teacher and other friends. I will miss her. She really played the organ great and she was a wonderful person. Linda Napier*

Linda Napier - April 02, 2020 at 08:24 AM

EM

Geneva was one of our lunch group @Catonsville s.c.she was a delight to know. My deepest sympathy to her family. Elaine Mccoll

Elaine Mccoll - April 02, 2020 at 10:16 AM

DM

I too knew Geneva from Catonsville Senior Center. She was a good person. She will be missed. She loved her family and her faith. My deepest sympathy to you all.

Debbie Mellor - April 02, 2020 at 10:59 AM

EU

“ *Eula lit a candle in memory of Geneva A. Harris*



Eula - April 02, 2020 at 01:39 AM



“ *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.*

March Funeral Homes - April 01, 2020 at 01:31 PM