



## Gila M. Winters

May 13, 1966 - September 24, 2009

Gila Monique Winters was born May 13, 1966 to Nathan & Zelma Winters, She was the seventh of eight children and the apple of her father's eye; he affectionately called her Cutes. Her oldest sister, Gail, old enough to be Gila's mother, was given the gift of choosing a name for her baby sister. She chose Gila, an anagram of her own name. This connection created a special bond which continued. Gila graduated from Poly Western where she was a member of the Pom Pom Squad. She also graduated from Strayer Business School. Being very fashion conscious, she enjoyed working in retail clothing. She was also a voracious reader and her hobbies were decorating and collecting miniature shoes & elephants. More importantly, Gila loved children and was especially fond of her niece Delon and her nephews Petey and Man Man. In February 2005, Gila suffered a debilitating brain aneurysm. In September 2006, she made her residency at Future Care Canton Harbor Nursing Facility. While there, she made many friends among the staff. She would flash her bright smile for those she liked and showed attitude to those she didn't. This brought smiles to the faces of many. In spite of her illness, she had a reserve of strength that was inspirational to everyone who met or knew her. Her strong will and loving spirit lives on in the hearts of those who loved her best; her mother; Zelma Winters- siblings: Gail,, Octavia, Nathan, Corliss and Avis- her son, Kason Veasley- her niece and best friend, Chantel Little- brothers-in-law, Sam Batts and Steve Hopkins, plus a host of other relatives and friends.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Gila M. Winters*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *MY FAVORITE MEMORY ABOUT MY SISTER IS THAT KNOW MATTER HOW WRONG I WAS OR HOW MAD SHE GOT AT ME I KNOW SHE LOVED ME AND I LOVED HER VERY MUCH GEE GEE WOULD YELL AT ME AND MAKE ME CRY AND TELL DON'T DO THIS OR WHY YOU DO THAT AND I STILL DID IT AGAIN AND SHE WOULD CALL ME DOW-DOW I MISS HER SO MUCH GEE GEE I KNOW YOU ARE O.K. AND HAPPY AND I KNOW YOU ARE YELLING AT ME NOW BECAUSE I'M CRYING TYPING THIS I KNOW (DOW-DOW) I LOVE YOU SO , SO MUCH YOUR LITTLE SISTER AVIS \*\*\*O GOD , IF IN THE DAY OF BATTLE I FORGET THEE , DO NOT FORGET ME\*\*\**

**AVIS WINTERS** - September 24, 2010 at 01:27 AM



“ *Gail, At those moments in our lives when we experience the darkest hours, we all seek comfort in each other....and in our own way. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Bob##imported-begin##Bob Fenloch##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Gail, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Here's a poem that I would like to share with you and your sister's family. God bless you. ~Charlotte  
*Life is but a stopping place, A pause in what's to be, A resting place along the road, to sweet eternity. We all have different journeys, Different paths along the way, We all were meant to learn some things, but never meant to stay... Our destination is a place, Far greater than we know. For some the journey's quicker, For some the journey's slow. And when the journey finally ends, We'll claim a great reward, And find an everlasting peace, Together with the lord. ~Author*  
unknown##imported-begin##Charlotte Armstead##imported-end##

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“ Dearest Gail, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Remember to embrace each day the gifts that life gives us. With much love, Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie##imported-end##

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“ I would like to express my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Mrs. Gila will always be a part of our future care family.##imported-begin##Teresa Cannon##imported-end##

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“ Dear Gail, Hold on to your good memories of your sister during this very sad time. Please know that God's love will make your grief bearable. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers during this sad time. Susan Lilly (Retired)##imported-begin##Susan Lilly##imported-end##

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“ Gail, Octavia, Avis. Gila will truly be missed. We at future care miss her so much. One thing we all know is that GOD makes no mistakes and as much as we loved and cared for her, he loves and care for her so much more. I thank you for bringing her into our lives. Thank you. ##imported-begin##chanelle jackson##imported-end##

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“ Oh my goodness I was devastated to hear my friend of 20 some years had passed. However, I am glad that I and other friends from the class of 85 at Poly, had a chance to visit her early on. Gila was a lovely person and friend. I will never forget her. Her family will forever be in my prayers. Avis, if you see this message please get in contact with me via my email address. Love always, "Rae-Rae" ##imported-begin##Natalie Neal##imported-end##

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“ I just learned of the passing of one of the most beautiful people I ever called "friend". I remember all the good times we shared in high school and k.i.t conversations we had after school. I thank God for blessing my life with Gila on so many levels. To the family, I offer my condolences and know that you are in my prayers. Rest in peace Gila, I will always carry your joy in my heart and know that you touched my life... ##imported-begin##Earline McRae##imported-end##

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“ Hi... I am one Gila's classmates from Poly and was her SW at Bayview. I am very sad to hear that she has passed on. Gila couldn't have asked for 3 better sisters. She is missed already by family, friends and the class of '85. I would like to extend my heartfelt wishes to the family and I pray that God keep you in his bosom.##imported-begin##Lenora Pearson##imported-end##

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“ ##imported-begin##Rodney Smith -##imported-end##

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“ I offer you my sincere sympathy for I too have experienced the sorrow associated with the death of a loved one. I have been able to find comfort from, "...the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort who comforts us in all our tribulation." (2 Corinthians 1:3,4). In God's word, the Bible, He promises us that one day soon, "...Death will be no more..."(Rev 21:3,4) and that soon we will be able to receive our loved ones through the resurrection hope noted at John 5:28,28 and Acts 24:15. This has been and continues to be my source of comfort and I just wanted to share this source with you.##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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“ *My dear sisters, and my brother, my precious mother. As I sleep away, I feel no pain, no tears, no sorrows. I am free. You all were the arms, voice, legs I needed. Thank you my family. Don't weep for me. I am free. My life was spent so full of love. If I could do it again, there'd be lots of hugs. Don't cry for me. I am free. Love one another and think of me. Don't cry anymore, I am free.##imported-begin##Submitted by Tavvy##imported-end##*

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