



## Gussie Mae Garrett

May 20, 1927 - April 22, 2024

Gussie Mae Garrett was born May 20, 1927, in Austin Texas, an only child to Ola Mae Solomon and George Sattie White who both preceded her in death. She is preceded in death by her husband, Oliver James Garrett, and son James Oliver.

She grew up on her grandmother's farm in Texas along with her first cousin Betty Stanley, who was more like a sister, as they both were an only child. At the age of 13, she and her cousin moved with her aunt Alberta Wormley from Texas to Detroit. She later relocated to Harlem, New York where she graduated from Morris High School in the Bronx.

She worked at Macy's on 34th Street in New York City. There Gussie met and later married Oliver James Garrett in 1952. Shortly after, they moved to Springfield Gardens, Queens. From this union, they had three children, James Olive, George Albert, and Wanda Alfreda.

Gussie enjoyed serving her community. She was a Den Mother for the Boy Scouts of America and helped manage their events. She was a member of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) at P.S. 37 Q and I.S. 231. She was also an Auxiliary Police Officer with the 113th Precinct in Queens. Our mother truly enjoyed people. With grace, she skillfully navigated the intricacies of life, possessing an innate understanding of its dual nature and demonstrating

profound compassion for everyone.

Finally, in 2001 she moved to a quiet community in Eastern Henrico County where she lived the balance of her life amongst a loving family and neighbors. Her ability to connect with people was unparalleled; she never met a stranger and befriended everyone she encountered.

She is survived by her son George A. Garrett, daughter-in-law, Damaris Cabrera Garrett and her daughter Wanda A. Garrett; three grandchildren, Troy A. Holmes, Madison Olivia McKenzie-Garrett, and Oliver Wesley Garrett; four great-grandchildren, Cameron A. Holmes, Caleb A. Holmes, Cayden A. Holmes, and Camora Holmes; sister-in-law, Nettie Garrett Bell; and a host of extended family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Ellis Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

1025 Buckskin Trail  
NATHALIE, VA 24577

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 3. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of life with live streaming

MAY 3. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Gussie M. Garrett, Please Click the Link below. in memory of Gussie Mae Garrett*



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**March Funeral Homes** - April 27, 2024 at 04:43 PM

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“ *Mr & Mrs. John Louis Fields & Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Gussie Mae Garrett.*



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**Mr & Mrs. John Louis Fields & Family** - May 02, 2024 at 04:53 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Gussie Mae Garrett.*



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April 28, 2024 at 01:00 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** - April 25, 2024 at 04:03 PM