



## Joyce Elaine Manuel

December 4, 1954 - May 19, 2014

A precious one from us is gone . . . a voice we loved is still  
A place is vacant in our hearts . . . that never can be filled.

Joyce “Elaine” Manuel was born December 4, 1954 in Littleton, North Carolina to the late Bethenia and Ollie B. Harvey. At the tender age of ten she received the most precious gift of life; the Holy Spirit. Her grandmother the late Mother Beatrice Lett-Pitchford and her aunt Mother Connie Hayden introduced her to that gift; baptism in the name of Jesus and the Holy Ghost speaking in other tongues under the leadership of the late John W. Purnell.

Elaine graduated from Huguenot High School in 1972 and later furthered her education at J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College. She worked for Trigon Blue Cross Blue Shield for thirteen years, creating insurance policies that continues to be used today.

Elaine was married to Keith D. Manuel and from that union, three children were born: Andrew J., Brian K., and Saraisa D.

Elaine’s ability to touch lives was impeccable. She had a way of hugging and loving a person without even knowing what they were going through and made a change in their life. She devoted her time to serving her ministry through the Decoration Ministry and as Women’s Council President. Elaine

spent many days and nights in the Family Life Center decorating for weddings, birthdays, funeral repasts, baby showers and various other events.

She leaves to cherish memories to her three children, Andrew, Brian, and Saraisa (Eric); eleven grandchildren; Javon B., Uvonya, Ashley, Javon M., Destiny, Andrew Jr., Randaisha, Jaila, Avion, Gavin, and Shandria; two great-grandchildren, Kavel and Carter; seven sisters; Linda Evans, Jackie Wyche, Betrice Harvey "Niecey", Ollie Harvey, Sharon Harvey, Eula Harvey, and Bethenia Harvey; aunts and uncles; Mother Connie Hayden "Spooky", Evelyn Riley, Eldridge Alston, Herman Alston and Min. Dennis Pitchford; great-aunt, Mother Diane Bolling; devoted friends, Remonia Keys, Myra Moran, and Liz Shaw; her beloved Greater Refuge Church Family and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and loving friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 22. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Greater Refuge Church  
2210 Carter Street  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Thinking of you sweet soul! Continue resting in God's arms💕

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**Connie Pitchford** - July 18, 2024 at 01:57 PM



“ *Joyce Elaine Manuel*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I am sorry to hear about your lost. I loved Elaine. Every time I encountered her she always hugged me tightly, and said how are you doing beautiful.*

*I will cherish the memory of her warm embrace and kind spirit.*

*Darlene Sims-Cornish*

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**Darlene Sims-Cornish** - May 29, 2014 at 10:01 PM



“ *sittin here thinkin bout u i love you auntie now and always!!! look over me and keep me doing right love u now and always from Dominique*

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**dominique harvey** - May 22, 2014 at 12:29 AM

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 5yrs 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** - May 21, 2014 at 09:59 PM

CS

“ Elaine was my second mother, actually my Godmother! May GOD be with the family and remember all the good times we all shared with her!

*Clarissa "Tweetybird" Simmons*

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**Clarissa Simmons** - May 21, 2014 at 07:50 PM



“ Sheila Savoy lit a candle in memory of Joyce Elaine Manuel



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**Sheila Savoy** - May 21, 2014 at 01:57 PM

LF

“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Manuel Family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures us that our loved ones have the hope of a resurrection back to a beautifully restored paradise earth. He even promises us at 1 Corinthians 15:26 that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

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**linn & fanukt** - May 21, 2014 at 11:56 AM



My prayers are with the family, Elaine I will always remember your smile and kind words you share know matter how long the time the distance you would have been apart from seeing a person your spirit was so kind and Godly...Rest in peace

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**Sheila Savoy** - May 21, 2014 at 01:52 PM

MC

“ Elaine used to shop at my dollar general store she always had a smile on her face and a big hug for you. She loved telling me that she was praying for me while I was pregnant. She loved seeing updated photos of him. She was a true one of god I am sure she is watching over all us .

*Marsha & Landon chalky*

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**marsha chalky** - May 20, 2014 at 09:13 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** - May 19, 2014 at 05:32 PM