

In Loving Memory of
Lillian McKinnon Gaines

Sunrise
July 8, 1925

Sunset
April 26, 2012



Service

Friday, May 4th, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

Union Baptist Church

240 West 145th Street • NYC, NY
New York, New York

Rev. Antonio D. Anderson, Officiating
James Cross, Organist

Obituary

Mrs. Lillian McKinnon Gaines, age 86, died at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York, N.Y., on Thursday, April 26, 2012.

Lillian was born in Wendell, North Carolina on July 8, 1925 to the late James and Minnie McKinnon. She was the youngest daughter in a brood of 13. Lillian graduated from James E. Shepard High School and attended Shaw University. She afterwards moved to New York City where she met and married the late Charles Gaines. To this union one son; the late Charles Reginald Gaines was born.

She was employed at Chock-Full of Nuts for a number of years and also worked for the State of New York until her retirement. Lillian later found her passion for travel and entered the vocation as a travel agent that later evolved into ownership.

Lillian was a dutiful and loving member of Union Baptist Church where she faithfully attended and participated in the following ministries: Usher Board, Nurses, Hattie Hutchins Missionary, and The United Missionary Baptist Association until her health declined.

Lillian was preceded in death by her sisters; Lela McKinnon, Lizzette Hill, Odessa McClain, Ella Baxter and Della Parker, and her brothers, Walter, Thurston, Donaway, David, Edward, James P., Jimmy Owen. Lillian leaves to mourn her demise a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great-nephews, other relatives and friends.



Wisdom 4: 7-15

But the just man, though he die early, shall be at rest.
For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time, nor can it be measured in terms of years. Rather, understanding is the hoary crown for men, and an unsullied life, the attainment of old age...

Order of Service

- The Organ Prelude Selected
- The Procession & Viewing Clergy, Officers & Family
- The Hymn of Praise “Take My Hand, Precious Lord “ - Dorsey
- The Holy Scripture Psalm 91- Minister
- The Prayer of Consolation Minister
- The Hymn of Consolation “Just A Closer Walk With Thee” -ARR.
- The Tributes And Words of Consolation Deacon Charles Cook
Chairman, Deacons’ Ministry
- The Resolutions & Acknowledgements Church Clerk
- The Obituary Minister
- The Poem Mrs. Sandra Morrisey
- The Solo
- The Eulogy Rev. Antonio D. Anderson
- The Committal
- The Benediction Minister
- The Recessional Hymn “When We All Get To Heaven” - Wilson

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York



*A Hopi Prayer by
Mary E. Frye*

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.

I am the diamond
glints on snow.

I am the sunlight
on ripened grain.

I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush

I am the swift uplifting rush

Of quiet white doves in circled flight.

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry;

I am not there, I did not die.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Lillian McKinnon Gaines** wishes to express our sincere thanks for the flowers and other expressions of love during our time of bereavement.

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