

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE
OF**
Cora Geraldine Burger

Sunrise: January 23, 1935 - Sunset: March 20, 2017



Service:

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 - 11:00 am

NEW EPHEBUS BAPTIST CHURCH
175 Brookwood Street • East Orange, New Jersey
Reverend Dr. John Shore, Jr. D.D., Pastor

Obituary

Cora Geraldine Burger

On this day, **Cora Geraldine (Gerri) Burger** quietly transitioned from her earthly home into eternal rest. She was born on January 23, 1935 to the late Monroe and Louise Burger in Powhatan, West Virginia.

During **Geraldine's** early school years, the family relocated to Vivian, West Virginia. In 1952, Geraldine graduated from Kimball High School, Kimball, West Virginia. Geraldine moved to Newark, New Jersey in 1959, where she began her work career. She worked for Blue Cross/Blue Shield for 30 years until she retired in 1999.

Geraldine always had a zest for education, and continued to further her education. In August of 1996, she received a Bachelor's Degree from Jersey City State College, Jersey City, New Jersey, on May 30, 1998, she received a PHD-Christian Education, Arts Science, from Abundant Life Christian Institute, Inc., Newark, New Jersey. Geraldine was very proud of her Doctorate Degree, and enjoyed using the title.

Geraldine received several awards for her community work; from the Newark Citizen Advisory Board in 1981, Outstanding Service Award from the Newark Public School System in 2000 and 2004, and on February 26, 2005, the City of Newark Municipal Council issued a Resolution on her behalf. In September 1994, she was presented the Special 'K' Award for Distinguished Alumnus from the State of West Virginia National Chapter of the Kimball High School Alumni Association, for outstanding community work.

Geraldine was a devoted member of Vineyard Baptist Church in Newark for more than 50 years. Prior to her illness she was a diligent worker and made herself available when needed. She was a member of the Trustee Board, and Senior Choir. On May 5, 2013, Vineyard honored her in Appreciation and Recognition for her loyal and dedicated service to the church.

Geraldine was the eldest of seven children. She leaves to mourn her death; two children who were dedicated to her care, daughter, Myra and son, Mark (Tameka) of Newark; two sisters, Barbara A. Burger of Elizabeth, NJ and Mary Burger-Kelly of Plainfield, NJ; three brothers, Ezekiel of Fort Meyers, FL, Monroe (Barbara) of Shepherdstown, W. VA and Lassell of Baltimore, MD. Geraldine leaves to mourn her death eight grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, multiple nieces and nephews, and a host of other cousins and friends. Geraldine's sons: Carlos Marcel and Wayne Anthony; brother, Edward Donald, and grandson, Thomas Harris, preceded her in death.

Order of Service

Processional.....	Clergy and Family
Choir Selection.....	New Ephesus Male Choir “Leaning On the Everlasting Arm”
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament.....	Psalm 116:1-9
New Testament.....	John 10:14-18
Prayer of Consolation.....	Minister Tamara Eubanks
Choir Selection.....	New Ephesus Male Choir
Acknowledgements.....	Sister Linda Whitfield
Obituary.....	Sister Sharon Strand
Choir Selection.....	New Ephesus Male Choir
Expressions.....	(please keep remarks to less than 3 mins.)
Solo.....	Sister Ernestine Norris “May the Work I’ve Done Speak For Me”
Eulogy.....	Rev. Dr. John Shore Jr.
Benediction.....	Rev. Dr. John Shore Jr.
Recessional.....	Clergy and Family

INTERMENT
Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

Repast at Ephesus Baptist Church following the cemetery service.

*John 9:4 - “I must work the works of Him that sent me,
while it is day: for night cometh, when no man can work.”*

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of **Cora Geraldine Burger** sincerely thank all of our family and friends for your support, kindness, expressions of love and condolences as we grieve our love one.

May God continue to bless and keep you!

Myra & Mark

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