

In Loving Memory of
Flora Stoney



Sunrise: June 5, 1945
Sunset: June 20, 2017

Obituary

Flora Stoney was born on June 5, 1945 to the late Gilbert Stafford of Charlotte, North Carolina and the late Flora Bailey of Kershaw, South Carolina. She was the eldest of five children. Flora was educated in the New York City public school system.

In 1965, she married Frank Stoney and to this union they had three daughters. She divorced in 1977, but remained with her children.

Flora has worked as a Nutritionist Aide at St. Luke's Hospital from 1968 to 1971. She also had many assignments as a Home Attendant throughout the 1980's and mid-1990's.

Flora enjoyed reading, cooking, and sewing. She made many of her daughters' clothes as well as other relatives and friends. She also had interest in computers. In 1988, she enrolled in Commercial Programming Unlimited, Institute of Data Processing. She was a good student and was excited of course, when she completed her studies there.

Flora's health started becoming an issue during the mid-1990's, that she started slowing down. In spite of health issues, she would often reflect on her partying days and the environment she enjoyed. She enjoyed plenty of laughter and socializing with her friends and their children, who easily became part of the family. After her mother's death in 1997, she really embraced and was motivated by the teachings of the Jehovah's Witnesses and their way of life.

Her illness, dementia and COPD robbed her daily of her looks, faculties and memories. She would smile in appreciation, eyes open wide of recognition, and squeeze your hand for thankfulness.

Flora leaves to cherish her memory: her three daughters, Vinnisa, Simone Stoney and Sybil Martinez; son-in-law, Pedro A. Martinez; grandchildren, Lindsay E. Stoney, Pedro A. Martinez, Jr. and Xiomara M. Martinez; her sister, Geraldine Hayes; brothers, Gilbert and Frank Stafford; and a host of nephews, nieces, friends and loved ones.

She is predeceased by her youngest brother, Lindsay Stafford.

Service

Wednesday, June 28, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

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Order of Service

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Final Disposition

*Woodlawn Crematory
Bronx, New York*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

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*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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