

Name Going For

Mrs. Lizzie Ella Gaines



Sunrise: November 28, 1929

Sunset: November 3, 2017

*"My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength
of my heart and my portion forever." - Psalm 73:26*

Service

Friday, November 10, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

2226 Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Blvd. • New York, NY

Rev. Calvin Sampson, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional

Hymn of Praise....."Blessed Assurance"

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Solo....."Cast All Your Cares".....Deacon Sam Williams

Remarks

Acknowledgements.....Paris Tracey

Reading of Obituary

Solo....."Trouble of the World"(Mahalia Jackson) Charles Johnson

Eulogy

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Ferncliff Cemetery

280 Secor Road

Hartsdale, NY 10530

Obituary

Lizzie Ella Gaines affectionately known as "**Monkee**", was born in Anderson, South Carolina to the late Mary and Archie Norman on November 28, 1929, the only girl of five children. She received her formal education in Anderson, SC Public School System.

She joined the late LC Gaines in holy matrimony in 1947. They relocated to New York City in 1952 to Polo Grounds Housing and then moved to St. Nicholas Housing in 1954.

She began attending Shiloh Baptist Church in 1958. Lizzie dedicated her life to giving a helping hand, encouraging others and working in the hospitality industry from which she retired in 1991. Her infectious smile, deep dimples, luxurious locks, compassion, generosity and wit won the hearts of everyone she encountered.

Monkee loved to watch the NY Yankees, make costume jewelry, read her newspaper, watch the news and do her puzzles in her spare time. She spent years as a volunteer Resident Patrol member, which she was awarded a certificate of recognition.

Lizzie became ill five years ago and departed this life on November 3, 2017 at Mt. Sinai Hospital. She will join in eternal peace with longtime partner, Fred W. Simmons, daughter, Joyce Ann Gaines, brothers, Artis Norman and James Norman "Babe".

Lizzie was a devoted mother, grandmother, and faithful friend.

She leaves to mourn: her son, Larry; daughter, Simone; step-daughters, Blulette, Gwen, Yvonne, Patricia and Yvette; step-sons, Curtis and Gerald; all of her "boo-boos" (grandchildren), Tyrone, Reginald "Rickie", Lamont "Pooch", Monica, Kenya, Raushawn, Danielle, Charles, Jr. "CJ", Ronald and Briana; twelve great grandchildren; one great-great grandson; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Do Not Stand At My Grave and Weep

*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 birds 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.

"Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord." - 2 Corinthians 5:6-8

Acknowledgement

The family of **Lizzie Ella Gaines** gratefully acknowledges the many prayers, concerns, acts of kindness and beautiful expressions shown during her illness and during their time of bereavement.

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