

ANote of
Appreciation

The family of Gloria Armstong wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown to us during this hour of bereavement. May God's blessings of peace and love continue with you forever.

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In Loving Momory of Gloria. Griggs Armstrong

Sunrise October 31, 1941

Sunset June 24, 2022



Friday, July 1, 2022 • 1:00 p.m.

East Ridgelawn Cemetery

255 Main Avenue • Clifton, New Jersey 07014 Rev. G. Rebecca Warren, Officiating Wayman Chapel AME • Hamlett, NC

Her Journey's Just Begun



Don't think of her as gone away, her journey's just begun,

Life holds so many facets, this earth is only one,

Just think of her as resting, from the sorrows and the tears,

In a place of warmth and comfort, where there are no days or years,

Think how she must be wishing, that we could know today,

How nothing but our sadness, can really pass away,

And think of her as living, in the hearts of those she touched,

For nothing loved is ever lost, and she was loved so much.



Prelude

Invocation

Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 23

New Testament John 14:1-7

Selection

Obituary

Eulogy

Rev. G. Rebecca Warren

Committal Service

Benediction

Recession

Gloria Griggs Armstrong was born in Passaic, New Jersey on October 31, 1941. She was the daughter of the late Reverend William Holmes and Louise Gibbs-Holmes. Her family moved to New York City (Harlem) when she and her sister Geraldine were young. She received her education from the New York Public School system where she received many awards; such as student council vice president of her junior high school, civil defense warden, hall and plant monitor, punctuality, and perfect attendance.

After marrying her first husband the late Hezekiah Griggs, Sr. she relocated back to the city of Passaic. For 18 years, she employed by the New Jersey State Department of Human Resources as a Day Training Technician at the Passaic County Day Training Center in Totowa, New Jersey. At the center, she worked with disabled and mentally challenged children and young adults.

Gloria was active in many civic and community organizations that included: Passaic Urban Crisis Program, Vice-President of Passaic High School P.T.A, and President of the Ghannettes Woman's Social Club where along with fellow social club members, she helped raise funds to establish a daycare center at the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in the early 1970s.

Gloria was a humble servant of the Lord. She was an active and productive member of all the congregations of A.M.E. Zion churches which she was a member of. She served in the following capacities: choir member, advisor to the Junior Usher Board, Sunday School Teacher, Board of Stewardesses, Board of Trustees,

Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society (Life Matron), Lay Council (Life Member), A.M.E. Zion Church Historical Society (Life Member), Secretary-Treasurer, Ministry of Kindness, and Board of Deaconesses.

On June 15, 1985, she joined in holy matrimony to Reverend Dr. James David Armstrong. In 1989, she began working as an Administrative Assistant at the A.M.E. Zion Quarterly Review and Historical Society where her husband, the Reverend Dr. James David Armstrong was the Editor/Historical Secretary in Charlotte, NC. She retired in 2012 and remained a faithful and active member of the Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church in Charlotte, NC.

On Friday, June 24, 2022, God called Gloria home to be in his everlasting arms. She is preceded in death by her parents Reverend William Holmes and Louise Gibbs-Holmes, sister Geraldine Holmes-Dupree, grandson Hezekiah Griggs, III, and her husband Reverend Dr. James David Armstrong. To cherish her memory she leaves behind her five children Robin Dawkins-Khan (Gul) of East Hartford, Connecticut, Rene Griggs of Passaic, New Jersey, Hezekiah Griggs, Jr. of Charlotte, North Carolina, Michelle Griggs (Eric) of New Britain, Connecticut, and Arthur Griggs (Millie) of Blytheville, Arkansas; her grandchildren, Anthony Dawkins, Shakeis Williams, Iesha Griggs, Ashley Griggs, Shafon Griggs, Sharee Griggs, Ashanti Griggs, Shannell Griggs, Fazal Samad, Arthur Griggs, Jr, Alexis Griggs, and Amya Reed; nine great-grandchildren, one great-grandson, blended family members, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends to continue her legacy and loving memory.