

*In Loving Memory
of*



Geraldine M. Giles

May 31, 1930 - February 8, 2011

Saturday, February 12, 2011 - 1:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

Minister Deborah L. Stapleton, Officiating

Obituary

Geraldine M. Giles, affectionately known as “Geri”, was born on May 31, 1930 to the late Mamie and Joseph Mason in Eastman, Georgia. One of two children, she departed this life on February 8, 2011.

While a young child, she and her late sister, Anne, moved with her parents to Newark, New Jersey where they made their home. She attended Miller Street School and South Side High School.

During high school, she met and married Jimmie Johnson. Their union produced two children, Patricia and James. Later in life she married the late John Paul Giles. After many years of marriage they were pleasantly surprised by the arrival of Dr. Traci Giles Hackett, her third child.

In her adult years, Geri worked for the Nabisco Corporation in East Hanover, New Jersey. She later worked for many years in the Department of Engineering for the City of Newark as a receptionist. She retired due to illness in October of 1997.

Geri was a much-loved woman. She had an engaging and inquisitive personality, which often made her the focal point of a crowd. People seemed to congregate around her wherever she was to be found.

She leaves to mourn her passing and celebrate her life: two daughters, Traci Hackett and Patricia Moore; a son, James Johnson; two sons-in-law, Mims Hackett, III and Richard Moore; a daughter-in-law, Deborah Johnson; two nieces, Cheryl G. Fuller and Jo-Anne Banks; six grandchildren, Madison and Morgan Hackett, Anthony ‘Tony’ Johnson, Shawn Moore, Jay and Cory Johnson; four great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; an aunt, Juanita Mitchell; and her lifelong friends, Milton and Charlsena Walker. In the final years of her life she was blessed to be cared for by her extended family at Canterbury at Cedar Grove Nursing Home who will miss their daily stops in Room 415. She will also be mourned by a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. God has truly blessed us to have had her in our lives.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL
"Blessed Assurance"

HYMN

SCRIPTURE READING
Old Testament – Ecclesiastes 3:1-11
New Testament – John 14: 1-6

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Rev. R. Paul Hollman
Greater Beulah Baptist Church,
Dothan, Alabama

SELECTION
"Amazing Grace"

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

OBITUARY

SELECTION
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

EULOGY
Minister Deborah L. Stapleton

VIEWING

RECESSIONAL
"I'll Fly Away"

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory
Orange, New Jersey

*Friends are invited to join
the family for the repast at the
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When I Must Leave You

*When I must leave you
for a little while-
Please do not grieve
and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you
through the years,
But start out bravely
with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name*

*Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days
But fill each waking hour
in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in
comfort and in cheer.
And I in turn will comfort
you and hold you near
And never, never be afraid to die
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

Acknowledgement

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.*

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