

The Celebration of the Life of
Delores Gillyard

Sunrise
August 12, 1948

Sunset
January 16, 2014



Service

Thursday, January 23, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.

PARADISE BAPTIST CHURCH

23 Fort Washington Avenue • New York, NY 10032

Rev. Dr. Lee A. Arrington, Pastor
Officiating

Obituary

Delores Gillyard was born on August 12, 1948 to the late Cain Harvin and Sally Harvin in Kingstree, South Carolina. She departed this life on January 16, 2014 at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City.

Delores received her formal education in the New York City Public School system. She attended Nursing School and received her certification.

On January 5, 1963, she married Henry Gillyard and born from this union was one daughter, Angelicia.

Delores was employed by the Hotel Trades Council Heath Center Family Medical Office for the past thirty-eight years. She was a hardworking and dedicated employee.

In October 1992, Delores united with the Paradise Baptist Church under the pastorate of the Rev. Dr. Lee A. Arrington. She was a loyal and faithful member, serving as the treasurer of the Pastor's Aide Ministry. She was consistent in her attendance and supportive of the various ministries of the church.

Delores loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them. She enjoyed listening to "Anointed" singing and singers and just being in the house of the Lord. She liked solving bible crossword puzzles/jumbles. She was cheerful and fun loving and her laughter was contagious. Delores could laugh like no one else.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Randolph.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her husband of fifty years, Henry Gillyard; one daughter, Angelicia (Michael) Edwards of New York City; two granddaughters, Mikece and Amber Edwards of New Jersey; her mother, Sally Harvin of New York City; three sisters, Bennie Mae (John) Jackson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Tessie Bingham and Irma (Michael) Gill of New York City; one aunt, Maggie Myers; one uncle, Macson Cooper of New York City; five nephews, one great nephew, one niece, one great niece and a host of cousins and friends.

Order of Service

The Processional Ministers and Family

The Hymn of Consolation “Amazing Grace”

The Scriptures

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - 2 Corinthians 5:1-8

The Prayer of Comfort

The Reflections

The Song of Praise Paradise Baptist Church Combined Choir

The Resolutions

The Acknowledgements/Condolences

The Reading of the Obituary

The Sermonic Solo Sis. Sharonda Taylor

The Eulogy Rev. Dr. Lee A. Arrington, Pastor
Paradise Baptist Church, New York City

The Benediction

The Last Earthly Glimpse

The Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York

I Did Not Die

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's 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 star that shines at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry.

I am not there: I did not die.

-Melinda Sue Pachó

Acknowledgement

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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