

A portrait of Mary Jane Gilchrist, a woman with short dark hair, wearing glasses, a light purple headband, and a necklace with a large white flower. She is looking slightly to the left. The background is a soft-focus floral arrangement with pink and red roses.

In Loving Memory of

Mary Jane Gilchrist

Sunrise
July 31, 1932

Sunset
January 19, 2014

Service
Saturday, January 25, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

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Obituary

Mary Jane Gilchrist, daughter of the late Sarah Gilchrist was born July 31, 1932 in Littleton, North Carolina. She was the eldest of nine siblings and had two daughters, Patricia Green and Christine Smalls (deceased). The eldest of nine children, Mary Jane moved to Great Neck, NY for a better opportunity for herself and family.

In the following years she moved to Harlem, NY making her permanent home where she became an adoring grandmother to her two grandsons, Jamil Green and Michael Smalls. Mary Jane also had an adoring relationship with her sons-in-law, Collin Green and Paul Smalls.

Mary Jane joins in heaven her daughter, Christine Smalls and sister, Delores Gilchrist. She will be deeply missed with cherished memories from her surviving family: daughter, Patricia Green of Bronx, NY; grandchildren, Jamil Green of Bronx, NY and Michael Smalls of NJ; sisters, Ana May Payne of Stanford, VA and Burnell Adams (Errol) of Yonkers, NY; five brothers, Alonza Gilchrist (Priscilla) of North Carolina, Melvin Gilchrist (Wanda) of Staten Island, NY, Alton Gilchrist (Mary Lou) of Bedford, VA, Horace Gilchrist of Bedford, VA, Charles Gilchrist of Bedford, VA; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was an independent woman with a “tell like it is” opinion and a one of a kind sense of humor who will forever be in our hearts.

We love you Mary Jane “Moochie” Gilchrist.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

“Total Praise”

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park
Paramus, New Jersey

Repast

*Alhambra Ballroom
2116 Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Boulevard
New York, 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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