

A Celebration of Life

Gwendolyn Ann Lloyd Morrison



Sunrise
February 7, 1954

Sunset
November 5, 2018

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - 12:00 Noon

Trinity United Methodist Church

581 Clinton Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Ralph B. Terrell, Officiating

Walt Sorey, Eulogist

Emory Lee, Organist

Obituary

*To everything there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the heaven: Ecclesiastes 3:1*

Gwendolyn Ann Lloyd began her life's journey on February 7, 1954 and was called home on November 5, 2018. She was a faithful prayer warrior, trusting God and His divine sovereign over her life.

Gwendolyn was the seventh of 10 children born to the late George Edward Lloyd and the late Ella Mae (Williams) Lloyd in Walterboro, South Carolina. She was preceded in death by four brothers, two sisters, three nephews and her husband.

When Gwendolyn was 12 years old, the Lloyd Family relocated to Newark, New Jersey where she completed her high school education at Malcolm X Shabazz. She attended Essex Country College where she studied business and computer science. Gwendolyn continued her education at Bloomfield College, receiving her Baccalaureate Degree.

During her professional career, she was employed with Essex County Department of Social Services. Gwendolyn was a socially conscious member of society and dedicated the majority of her time to assisting women, children and families within the community. She even operated a home daycare before she left it to care for her husband.

However, Gwendolyn possessed a true passion for fashion which led her to a new career in retail. Gwendolyn had exceptional taste and was known for her signature style-pairing a scarf with a hat in order to complete an already perfect ensemble. Gwendolyn was employed as a manager at Hit or Miss and other upscale and casual women's retailers, selling eclectic apparel. She enjoyed sharing her sense of style while helping customers enhance their inner beauty. She became an Independent Representative and ran successful businesses selling both Avon and Mary Kay.

Gwendolyn eventually returned to her community service roots during her retirement years and dedicated time and resources to senior citizens. She volunteered at the Nellie Grier Senior Citizen Center, New Community Extended Care Facility and with seniors in her hometown and surrounding areas. She was also a frequent and generous contributor to various charities, including: St Jude, Susan G. Komen, BeTheMatch and Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.

She loved the arts and indulged her theatrical talents by attending a Star Allen TV studio training course in New York City. She enjoyed Broadway plays and traveled to NYC often to see them. Gwendolyn also enjoyed reading fiction and nonfiction works and was a skilled writer.

Gwendolyn was born into a religious family that trained her up in the word. At age 12, she surrendered her life unto The Lord. She loved music, specifically traditional gospel music and every morning she could be heard reading her bible and singing songs of praise and worship. She was a member of Greater Mount Moriah Baptist Church for decades, until The Spirit led her to become a recent member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Gwendolyn met her soulmate and future husband in January, 1977. Through divine grace they were married on June 11, 1983. From this cherished union was born their only child, a daughter, Niama-Nicole. Gwendolyn was a devoted mother, deeply involved in every aspect of her daughter's development.

She wore many hats-literally and figuratively. Gwendolyn's family and friends would declare that she was a loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, aunt, cousin and friend. But, the prevalent themes traversing through each and every one of her relationships include intelligence, humor, insightfulness, generosity, empathy and her ability to encourage others.

She leaves to carry on her legacy her daughter, Niama-Nicole Morrison of Newark, NJ; goddaughter, LaKiesha Hassell of Irvington; brother, James Edward Lloyd of Newark; Sisters Shirley Mae Lloyd of Newark and Patricia Elaine Lloyd of Plainfield; tens of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....Emory Lee

Processional

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Geralda Aldajuste
Pastor, Masonville-Rancocas UMC, Mount Laurel, NJ

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading.....Psalm 23

Acknowledgements.....Reverend Doctor Ralph Terrell

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Expressions.....Family and Friends
(2 minutes each please)

Eulogy.....Walter Sorey

Benediction.....Reverend Doctor Ralph Terrell

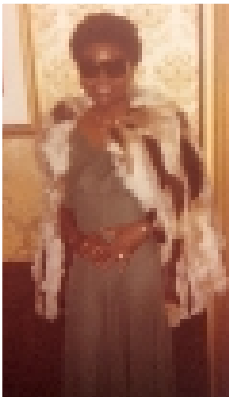
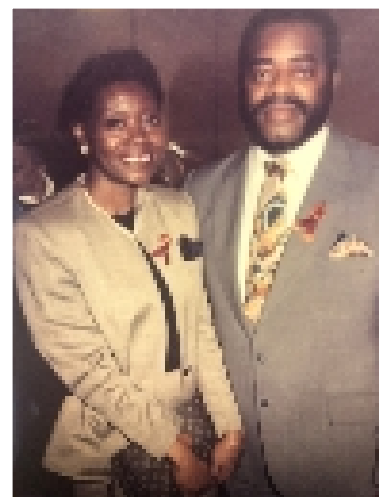
Recessional

Organ Postlude.....Emory Lee

Interment

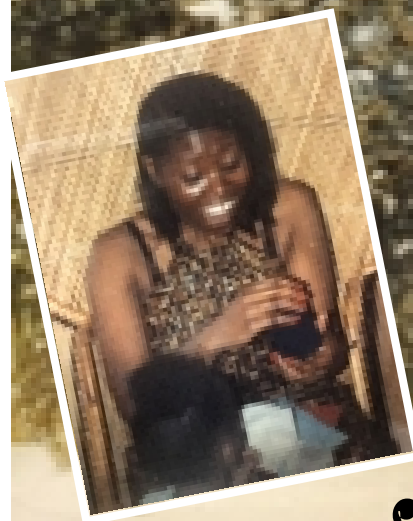
Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

*Immediately Following the interment, the repast will be held at:
Trinity United Methodist Church
581 Clinton Avenue, Newark, NJ*





Precious



Memories

The Road To Eternity

*Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what's to be,
A resting place along the road
To sweet Eternity.*

*We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn something
But never meant to stay
Our destination is a place far
Greater than we know,
For some, the journey's quicker,
For some, the journey's slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We'll claim a great reward,
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the Lord.*

*To My Grandolyn
If I had to live my life all over again, I would
want to live it with you as my mother.
~Your loving daughter*

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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