

Celebrating the Life of



Lorea Gaines

Sunrise
August 31, 1937

Sunset
March 12, 2021

Celebration of Life
Thursday, March 25, 2021 - 4:00 p.m.

T. Carrillo Funeral Service LLC
4363 Bronx Blvd
Bronx, New York 10466

Obituary

Lorea Gaines, affectionately called, 'Momma Gaines' was called to eternal rest on Friday, March 12, 2021 in Danbury, Connecticut. Lorea was born August 31, 1937 in Cheraw, South Carolina to the late Wallace and Marie Lee. She was the oldest of 12 children. She graduated from Colter High School in Cheraw, SC in 1957.

After graduating high school, Lorea relocated to the Bronx, New York, and was joined in holy matrimony to Theodore Gaines II in 1961. Lorea was a dedicated house wife, and in her union to Theodore were born, Tina Gaines-Abraham, Jgina Gaines, Theodore Gaines III, Kim Gaines-Chastine, and Carlton Gaines. Lorea was also a foster care mother to several children for many years. She was very active with the PTA at PS 87; and Riverside Church was her place of worship.

Lorea was a kind and loving wife, mother, sister, and friend. Her loyalty, and devotion to family and friends was evident to all. Lorea centered herself around her family as a great wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend. Whoever stepped foot on Grace Avenue you came across Mama. She would get on you if your pants were sagging, too much, cleavage hanging out, using foul language, smoking "them drugs", bouncing balls all hours of the night. She did it out of love each and every time. Tough love in every sense of the word. She always had a plate at her table for you whether she knew you or not.

Lorea was preceded in death by two siblings, Mell Parron, and Samuel (Sonny) Lee. She leaves behind her husband Theodore Gaines II (Bronx, NY), three daughters Tina (Robert) Gaines-Abraham (Salisbury, NC), Jgina Gaines (Concord, NC), Kim (Greg) Gaines-Chastine (Danbury, CT), two sons Theodore Gaines III (Bronx, NY), and Carlton (Laticia) Gaines (Waterbury, CT). She had seventeen grandchildren and eight great grandchildren, Amber, Krystina, Gisele, Denise, Tiara, Theodore 4, Justin, Nathaniel, Jamar, Alijah, De'Asia, Xavier, Zada, Carlton Jr., Carlyn, Jakasia, Isabella, Tahir, Aveion, Jahzara, Jacob, DeAndre, Yahnira, Aariah & Hazel. She is also leaving behind sisters and brothers Dotsie Lee (Brooklyn, NY), Wallace Lee (Jamaica, NY), Earnest (Mary) Lee (Cheraw, SC), Barbara Lee (Brooklyn, NY), Simon (Easter) Lee (Cheraw, SC), Charlotte Lee (Brooklyn, NY), Lutricia Lee (Newark, NJ), Linda Lee (Brooklyn, NY), and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Throughout her life, Lorea was a mother to all. Mama Gaines will never be forgotten.

Order of Service for Our Beloved Lorea

Prelude

Processional

Prayers of Comfort Dr. Apostle Deas

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament: Psalm 23: 1-6 Ms. Beverly Blackwell

New Testament: John 14: 1-7 Ms. Trineice Gurley

Selection Dr. Andrea Gurley

Words of Remembrance (Two Minutes)Family & Friends

Acknowledgements Mrs. Tasha Leach

Obituary Mrs. Gwendolyn Gurley

Special Tribute.....Mrs. Kim Gaines-Chastine

Selection Ms. Denize Moore-Smith

Eulogy Reverend Michelle Staggers

Committal

Benediction

Final Viewing

Recessional

Cremation
Rosehill Crematory

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly, in death
We do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you,
you did not go alone;
for part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories,
your love is still our guide;
and though we cannot see you,
you are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
and nothing seems the same;
but as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again.



EXPRESSION OF THANKS

The family of **Lorea Gaines** wishes to express our deep and heartfelt appreciation for your loving support, thoughtfulness and concern, including cards, flowers, phone calls, visits and your presence here this evening. We give thanks to God for His grace and mercy and for the words of comfort and the prayers of faith during our time of bereavement.

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