A portrait of Elaine Louise Griffith, a woman with dark hair and bangs, smiling. She is wearing a light-colored collared shirt. The background is a soft, light purple. In the foreground, there are large white lilies with yellow stamens.

Home Going Celebration of
Elaine Louise Griffith

Sunrise
May 21, 1944

Sunset
April 3, 2021

Service
Wednesday, April 14, 2021 • 10:00 a.m.

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Order of Service

Selection

Brother Robert Capers

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 27:1-10

New Testament 2 Timothy 4:5-8

Prayer of Consolation

Elder Milton Lashley, II

Reflections Of Life

Luciana Griffith

Selection

Brother Robert Capers

Eulogy

Elder Milton Lashley, II

Viewing

Gilmore Funeral Staff

Benediction/Committal of the Decedent

Elder Milton Lashley, II

Recessional

Interment

**Washington Memorial Park
Mt. Sinai, New York**



Obituary

Mother Elaine Louise Griffith was born on May 21, 1944 in the Bronx, New York at Lincoln Hospital, to the late Elder Lloyd and Uzella Coleman. She was the second oldest of six children and is preceded in death by her three brothers William, Harold, and Philip.

In her formative years, Elaine matriculated throughout the New York City Public school system and excelled academically. Elaine found her niche and enrolled in Fashion Industries High School. There, she honed her craft and love for fashion and design. She learned sewing, textiles, and many other fashion and design techniques.

While attending Fashion Industries, Elaine mastered the art of free hand drawing and designed fashions using her own patterns. Shortly thereafter, Elaine and her parents relocated to Queens Village, NY. She, along with her younger sisters took on the arduous, but rewarding task of providing custodial care for her nieces.

Upon graduating from Fashion Industries High School, on April 3, 1963, Elaine gave her life to Christ. Little did she know, this life changing decision would alter the trajectory of her meteoric future. She began working at a factory, in which she felt was a dead-end job, with no room for upward movement. Elaine's brother, William felt her pain and offered to get her a job working with him at Zales Jewelry Company. Elaine was employed there for sometime, but knew this was not where her destiny lied. While working there, she saw the IBM School for Key punching. She enrolled and excelled so they allowed her to work at the school as a keypuncher. After completing her course of study, Elaine found employment elsewhere.

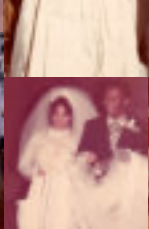
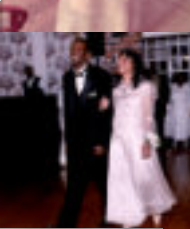
For many years afterward, Elaine worked at several brokerage firms on Wall Street at the Stock Exchange, mainly in a supervisory capacity. In 2002, she finally retired and ended her career as a Manager with Societies Generale Cowen and Company.

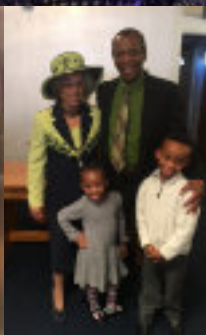
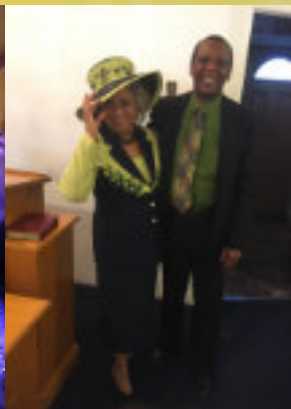
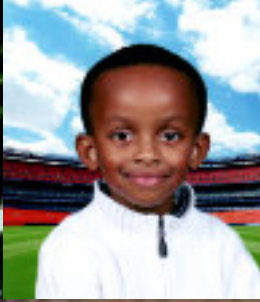
During this period, Elaine made time to start a family. In September of 1972, Elaine married John Griffith. From that union, came two sons, Trevaughn and Damon. Elaine felt the call on her life to teach. In the early 1980's, Elaine and her family became members of the Tabernacle of Prayer for All People. Under the pastoral leadership of Apostle Johnnie Washington and the ministry's Christian Education department, Elaine enrolled in the Tabernacle Bible Institute and pursued a degree in Christian Education. In May of 1999, after several years of sacrifice and diligent study, she graduated with a Master's Degree in Theology.

Throughout Elaine's life, every experience she encountered created a long-lasting effect. She was a sales consultant for several Network Marketing as well as her own knitting and crochet business, "Elaine's Design By Yarn".

The memories of Elaine's life and legacy will continue to be celebrated. They will forever remain in the hearts of her beloved family. Her dear husband, John, sons, Trevaughn and Damon, daughter in love, Luciana. Her two loving grandchildren whom she referred to as her "hearts" and affectionately called "Baby Boy" and "Livy Gal", Izaiah and Aliviah.. Her two adoring sisters and brothers in law, Winifred and Roy and Shirlene and Maurice. Her five nieces, Vivian, Maybell, Jamel, Melinda, Kristal and one nephew Lloyd; along with a host of great nieces, nephews, other relatives and the members of True Deliverance Church.









Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgements

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