

In Loving Memory of



*Gloria McBride
Santiago Holmes*

August 17, 1947 – May 23, 2021

Friday, June 4, 2021 - 12 NOON

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Obituary

Gloria was called home to her Lord and Savior on May 23, 2021 at The Pavilion at Queens for Rehabilitation & Nursing in Flushing, New York after several years of declining health. Born on August 17, 1947 to the late Charlotte (Molly) McBride and the late James (JB) McBride in St. Stephens, South Carolina, she was raised in New York City and educated in the NYC Public School system. She held many occupations but ultimately her career path led her to employment with the NYC Department of Social Services, from which she ultimately retired after many decades of dedicated service.

Gloria was raised in a loving, religious home and was a member of Union Baptist Church located on 145th Street and Eighth Avenue in Harlem in her youth. She later joined St. Luke's Baptist Church on Morningside Avenue where she found her church home. She served the church in many capacities, selflessly doing whatever was needed of her, and was ultimately ordained as a deaconess. She was faithful and committed in her service to St. Luke's and her church family.

She lived in New York City her entire life but her native South Carolina and her extended family in the state held a special place in heart and she visited whenever she had an opportunity.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her only sibling, David McBride. She leaves to cherish her memory and mourn her: Jaynique Foy whom she raised in her home as a son and his aunts and siblings to whom she was a devoted godmother after the death of their mother and grandmother, Gloria's dear friend; her goddaughter, Tiffany Harris Miller; her cousin, Elease Canty and her family, who devotedly cared for Gloria after her dementia diagnosis; and a host of relatives, friends and associates who were privileged to know her and share in her life.

***“For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord.
So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s.”
Romans 14:8***

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

“It Is Well With My Soul”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Minister

New Testament - Minister

Prayer

Minister

Selection

“Never Would Have Made It”

Obituary & Acknowledgements

Trecia Canty

Remarks

Family & Friends (Limited 3 Minutes)

Selection

“Wind Beneath My Wings”

Eulogy

Minister

Committal

Minister

Viewing

Recessional

Interment:

Fairlawn Cemetery

Fairlawn, New Jersey

The Master Called

I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.
-Author unknown

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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