

*In Loving Memory of*



*Gerry Standback*

March 29, 1960 - October 6, 2021

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 11AM

**Soul Saving Station**

302 W. 124th Street, New York, NY 10027

# *Order of Service*

**Musical Prelude**

**Processional**  
Clergy and Family

**Presiding**

**Scripture Readings:**  
Old Testament - Psalm 23  
New Testament - John 14:2

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Remarks/Reflection**  
Family and Friends

**Song**

**Reading of the Obituary**

**Song**  
Missionary Mary Green

**Eulogy**

**Recessional**

**INTERMENT**  
Floral Hills Memorial Gardens  
1665 South Boston Road  
Danville, Virginia 24540

# Obituary

**Gerry Standback** was born on March 29, 1960, at Sydenham Hospital in New York City to the late George Adam Standback and Louise Echols Standback. Gerry was the youngest of two children; he was loved by his brother, Gary. Gerry received his education through the NYC Department of Education. He was an industrious young man and obtained his first summer youth job at the age of fifteen. Gerry went on to work for the NYC Housing Authority; his last position was at the World Trade Center where he was employed as a messenger.

One of Gerry's favorite pastimes was going to the movies; he enjoyed all genres and was an avid moviegoer. He had a vivacious personality and he loved people. Gerry was raised in church, and he gave his life to the Lord as a young adult. He found his spiritual home at the Soul Saving Station under the leadership of the late Bishop Alvin L. Tate. Gerry loved attending Sunday School and Noon Day Prayer. One of his favorite scriptures was, Psalm 119:105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path". Gerry loved and respected his pastor, Bishop Robert I. Winley and his Soul Saving Station church family and they loved him deeply.

Gerry departed this life on October 6, 2021, at 10:00 am at Riverdale Nursing Home. Left to cherish his memory is his loving and devoted mother who cared for him, prayed vigilantly for him, and stood with him as he transitioned from this life into eternal life in the presence of All Mighty God. He leaves behind his brother, Gary Standback; aunt, Odessa Valentine of Danville, Virginia; uncles, Jefferson and Yancey Echols of Virginia; special aunt, Chaplin Alicia Goudie; a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins; and a very special childhood friend, Kavin who often visited with Gerry.

Gerry, we love you, but God loves you best; sleep on Gerry and take your rest.

Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family

# *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 his call,  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah 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 savoured 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.

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late Gerry Standback wishes to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, prayers, and all acts of kindness extended to them during their hour of bereavement. All tributes, cards, and condolences will be acknowledged by the family at a later date.*

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