



In Loving Memory of
MERLIN MCGRATH

Sunrise
January 11, 1933

Sunset
October 27, 2021

Service
Friday, November 5, 2021 • 6:00 p.m.

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

191-02 Linden Blvd. • St. Albans, New York 11412

Pastor Lincoln Graham, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional Pastor Lincoln Graham And Family

Selection..... “It Is Well With My Soul” - Congregation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament:

Proverbs 3:3-6 Errol Mckenzie (Grandson)

Proverbs 31:30-31 Ronald and Ebony Vaz (Grandson and Wife)

New Testament:

2 Timothy 4: 6-8 Shontal Raffington (Granddaughter)

Prayer Of Consolation..... Minister Stephen Rowley (Son-in-law)

Reading: One Of Mom's WritingsJanett Raffington (Daughter)

Selection..... “His Eye Is On The Sparrow” - Melissa Camacho (Granddaughter)

Acknowledgements Absentee Readings - Flolette Rowley (Daughter)
2-3 Minute Reflections By Family And Friends

Selection..... “I Surrender All” - Congregation

Obituary Winsom Mckenzie (Daughter)

Reading Mom's Writing To Her Children - Sandra Heron (Daughter)

Musical Selection...“God Will Take Care Of You” - Henson Patrick (Son- In- Law)

Eulogy Pastor Lincoln Graham Sr.

Final Viewing

Benediction Pastor Lincoln Graham

Recessional

Interment
Maple Grove Cemetery
Queens, New York

Obituary

Merlin is the last of James and Lourse Nairne eight children to pass on, the last Nairne matriarch of that generation. She is survived by eight children and their spouses, eighteen grand children and their spouses and fourteen great grandchildren, a host of nieces/nephews and spouses, cousins and spouses, cousin's children, and friends.

Mom was a vibrant, spiritual soul who literally poured herself into everyone she met, old and young. She would witness to anyone about Jesus Christ, encouraging and telling them that the only way to Heaven is to be baptized and to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Her favorite scripture was Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." NKJV. She loved God, her church and she was one hundred percent committed to paying her tithes. She said this is how I get my blessings and taught us to honor God the same way.

Mom was lovingly called "Mama" by her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She taught us first to love the Lord, loyalty, integrity, respect for ourselves and others and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Also, she handled the household finances like a good steward. We all knew that her husband, Roy McGrath, loved the ground she walked on. His girls all wanted to meet and marry a man like their dad. There was no better husband, father, brother, uncle, and grandfather like Roy.

Mom was raised in a small town in Saint Ann, Jamaica called Fergus. She was the seventh of eight children from James MacGregor Nairne and Lourse Maude Davis-Nairne. At the age of sixteen, she met our father, a handsome young man. It was love at first sight. Roy McGrath was the proud father of her eight living children: Merna, Carmen, Flolette, Winsom, Orville, Janett, Sandra and Sean. Mom was a talented seamstress who sewed for the neighborhood children and church members.

She migrated to the US on March 4, 1972, and shortly after, she acquired her GED. She continued her education by attending nursing school at Queens Borough Community College. She completed two years of nursing school – LPN and due to a car accident, Mom relocated to Port Saint Lucie in 1988.

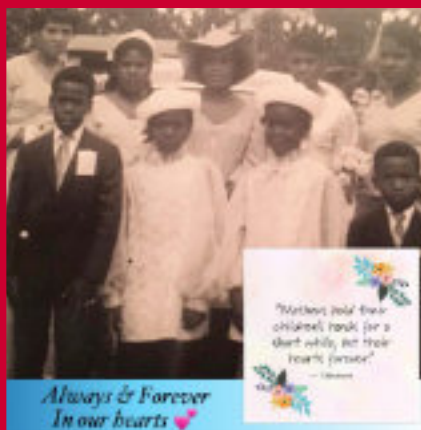
Mom showed resilience in the face of adversity. She was the epitome of spirituality and physical strength. She was hard working and a passionate figure who never waned in her support or love for her family, and friends even when times were tough.

Mom, all your children would like to thank you for everything you have given us, both individually and collectively. The constant prayers, family history, cooked food, baked goods, arts and crafts, special jokes, the stories, the warmth, the helping hand, the healing power, your kind love, your kind words, and deeds, and for all you have done during your precious years on this Earth. May you finally enter into the comfort of God's open and welcoming arms.

We love and will miss you. You will be in our hearts, forever.

Proverbs 3:5-6

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Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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