

## <u>Obituary</u>

**Jessie Mae Kelley Mines**, a force to be reckoned with, she left this world at the remarkable age of 99, with a spirit as fiery as ever. She lived a life filled with grit, determination, and an unwavering commitment to those she loved.

Early Life: Born on May 19, 1924, in Orangeburg, South Carolina, Jessie was the fourth eldest child of Maggie and Irvin Kelley. Raised amidst a bustling household of eight siblings, she learned the value of responsibility early on, often caring for her younger brothers and sisters. At the tender age of 17, she embarked on a journey north, eventually settling in Harlem, New York, after a brief stop in Washington DC. There, she met Clarence Mines, with whom she shared a lifetime of love and laughter, raising their children, Carolyn, Eranest Jr., Ronald, and Gregory.

**Education and Career:** Jessie's indomitable spirit shone through in her career as she pursued her dreams of becoming a certified nursing aide. Working tirelessly as a housekeeper while attending school, she eventually found her calling at St. Barnabas Hospital, where her compassionate care touched the lives of many.

**Personal Life:** Jessie's zest for life extended beyond her professional endeavors. She found joy in the simple pleasures, playing her numbers every morning and dancing to the rhythm of her favorite tunes, especially "Shotgun" by Jr. Walker and the All Stars. Her warm demeanor and friendly nature made her a beloved figure in her community, leaving an indelible mark on all who crossed her path.

Legacy: Jessie leaves behind a legacy of love and laughter, cherished by her surviving family members, including her sister, Ruth; brother, Thelease; son, Ronald Mines; grandchildren, Mandel, Gregory, Shaqui, Jeffrey, Harry, Shavonne, Kristina, Travis, and Christopher; and a host of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Her impact on society resonates through the countless lives she touched, forever remembered and cherished.

**Closing:** Jessie Mae Kelley Mines will be dearly missed, but her memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

In the words of her son Ronald Mines, "She forever touched my life along with countless others." Jessie's legacy of love, resilience, and compassion will continue to inspire generations to come.

## Order of Service

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Frost Woods Memorial Park
East Brunswick, New Jersey



## 9've Changed My Address

I've changed my address to Heaven I've crossed the Great Divide. I know there's no sorrow or crying, Because I've reached the other side. I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place where you'll find me. I've changed my address to Heaven, I bid this world goodbye. I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky. I have no burdens or heartaches and from tears I am now free. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place to find me. I've changed my address to Heaven, I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion and my name is on the door. You can find us walking together, for where He is, I'll always be. I've changed my address to Heaven, That's the place you'll find me. -Author unknown

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