

Forever In Our Hearts

Celebrating
THE
Life
OF

Gladys Lee Tinsley

SUNRISE: June 6, 1932 - SUNSET: February 20, 2025

Tuesday, March 4, 2025
Viewing: 9am - 11am
Service: 11am

Convent Avenue Church
420 W. 145th Street, New York, NY 10031

Obituary

Gladys Lee Tinsley was born on June 6, 1932, in Danville, Virginia, to the late Edward Lee and Pattie Coles Lee. She was the youngest girl of her five siblings. She transitioned this life on Thursday, February 20th into the arms of her Savior Jesus Christ.

She attended the Pittsylvania County school system and graduated from Langston High School in Danville, VA.

She moved to New York at an early age, where she met Mr. Eugene Tinsley, Jr. at the Old Savoy Ballroom. They soon married and lived happily ever after until his passing, a union that lasted over sixty years. Gladys loved to dance, loved sports, all types of music, bbqs, traveling and red lobster, laughing and enjoying life with family and good friends.

She worked at Winslow Hospital in Danville, VA, before venturing north to New York City, she held many positions in the medical field beginning at Royal Hospital in the Bronx and ending her over 40-year career at Medical Arts Center Hospital in Manhattan.

Gladys joined Convent Avenue Baptist Church under Reverend Wilson in 1997 and immediately became a member of the Willing Workers Ministry. She attended Sunday School regularly and became a member of SCAMP Ministry in her senior years.

Gladys worked as Board President/Manager of St. Agnes Apartments HDFC for over 25 years and sadly had to step down when her health started to decline. Loved by all the vendors she worked with, some of whom were her Red Lobster suppliers. She was an active member of Community Board 9, The Democratic Club and the 26th Precinct's Community Board for many years. She didn't stop there, she was a political activist working hand and hand with Robert Jackson, Keith Wright, Inez Dickens, David Dinkens, Scott Stringer and others.

She is welcomed home by her parents, brothers and sisters, William, Walter, Ronnie, Elizabeth, Mary and rejoined with her beloved husband Eugene Tinsley, Jr.

Gladys leaves to celebrate her life: daughters, Mary and Diane; son, Clarence, Sr. (Lillian); grandchildren, Clayeon Jr., Clarence Jr., Diana, Taurean, Christopher and Xander; several great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins; her godchildren, Willette Slocumb, Jacqueline Coleman, Tyrone Williams and Jeffrey Evans.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Opening Sentences

Hymn:

“May the Work I’ve Done Speak for Me”

Invocation

Scriptures:

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Selection:

“I Won’t Complain”

Reflections

(2 minutes only)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

(Read Silently)

Selection:

“Precious Lord”

Eulogy

Reverend Brenda Price

Selection:

“Goin’ Up Yonder”

Final Viewing

Committal

Recessional

Organ Postlude

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery

Calverton, New York

REPAST: 4pm - 6pm

348 Convent Avenue

(Between 144th and 145th)



When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not there to see
If when the sun finds your eyes
They are filled with tears for me.
I wish so much that you wouldn't cry
The way you did today
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me
You know I love you too,
And every time you think of me
I know you miss me too.
But when tomorrow starts without me
Please try to understand
That an angel came down
and called my name
And took me by the hand
And said my place was ready
In heaven far above
And that I have to leave behind
All those I dearly love.
When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart;
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.

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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