

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF...



Carolyn
GAILLARD-LEWIS

SUNRISE: AUGUST 17, 1948

SUNSET: JANUARY 17, 2021





Carolyn GAILLARD- LEWIS *Life Reflections*

"...Blessed are the dead who die in the LORD from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

-Revelation 14:13

On Sunday, January 17, 2021, God called, and she answered, and quietly slipped from life to life eternal.

Carolyn L. Gaillard-Lewis was the oldest of six children born to the union of the late Roy A. Gaillard and the late Bobbie L. Rainer-Gaillard, on August 17, 1948 in Tiptonville (Tippah County) Mississippi. She moved to Milwaukee, WI with her parents and siblings when she was five years old and was raised and educated there before moving to Chicago in 1969.

Carolyn married George A. Lewis in December 1974 and to this union one child, Nakia, was born in 1976.

Carolyn loved the Lord and accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior in November 1990 at South Shore Baptist Church in Chicago, IL, under the leadership of Pastor James Ford, Jr. She joined and was baptized into this local assembly and remained an active and faithful member, serving in many ministries, including Healthy Eaters, Loving Care Ministry, Finance Department, Christian Education Department, Aerobics Ministry, Women's and Single's Ministries, and the food pantry.

She enjoyed traveling, church and genealogy—tracing her family back to 1834—and was a member of the Afro-American Genealogical & History Society of Chicago since 1998, where she served as recording secretary. She attended numerous genealogy conferences in various states and went on many research trips over the years.

Carolyn retired from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2003, after more than 31 years of diligent service. As a person who enjoyed life, she always made time for family and friends, and she kept God as the Head of her life.

She leaves to mourn their loss a loving daughter, Nakia Denise Lewis of Chicago, IL and one stepdaughter, Kimberly Lewis of Grand Prairie, TX; three grandsons: Nazir, Quali, and Yaseen all of Chicago, IL; two brothers: Jim Gaillard and Scherock Gibson all of Milwaukee, WI; three sisters: Kathy Gaillard, Patricia Tate, and Sakina Gaillard-McKinney (Marcus) all of Milwaukee, WI; one niece, Kimberly Gaillard of Milwaukee, WI; four nephews: Dorian Tate, Damien Payne, Darius James and Merlton Gaillard all of Milwaukee, WI; four grand-nephews: Tevin Gaillard of Newport News, VA; Arroyo Edwards, Daniel Gaillard and Noah Gaillard all of Milwaukee, WI; one grandniece, Bobbi Gaillard of Norfolk, VA; a special daughter, Nasha Reid of Chicago, IL; a special son, Kenneth Harper of Chicago, IL; a best friend, Nettie Nesbary; and a host of cousins and relatives, many friends, and her Christ Bible Church Family. She is preceded in death by her mother Bobbie L. Gaillard, father Roy A. Gaillard, two brothers: Daniel and Roy, Jr. and sister, Barbara.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Friday, January 29, 2021

Wake: 10:00 a.m.

Funeral: 11:00 a.m.

St. March Missionary Baptist Church
14618 Lincoln Avenue
Harvey, Illinois
Pastor Edwin Harris, Officiating

Organ Prelude

Processional

Call to Order

Old Testament Scripture - Minister

New Testament Scripture - Minister

Prayer - Kimberly Martin

Selection - Rachel Cooper

Acknowledgment/Resolutions

Family Tributes - Yasen Bingllan

Remarks (Two Minutes Please) - Friends

Read of Obituary - Kenneth Harper

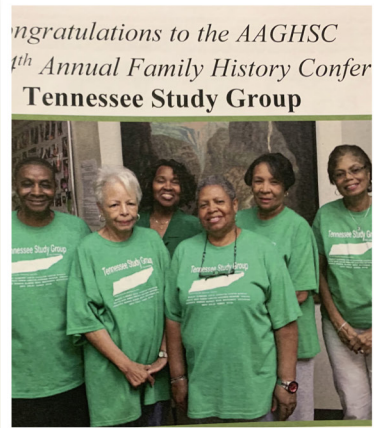
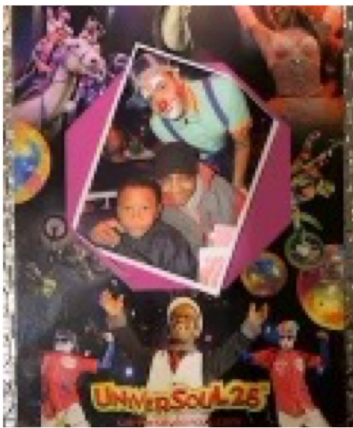
Selection

Eulogy - Pastor James Ford

Benediction

Recessional

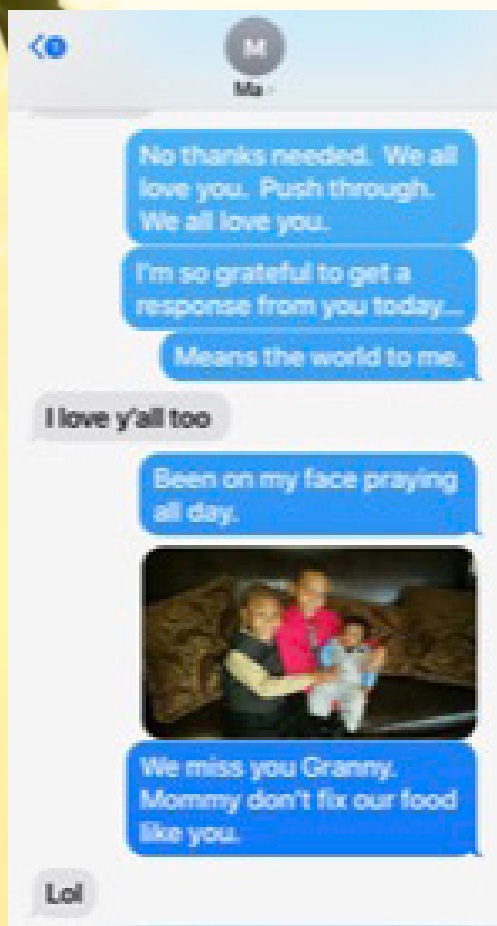






I appreciate everything you have done for me and the family, you will be missed and will always be remembered as a hard-working and caring person. You didn't deserve to leave like that, but that's life. Times like this you just have to stay safe and pray that everything will be ok. Again, you will be missed and in our thoughts. We will be up there to meet you soon.

Love, Nazir



*Ma,
I knew this day would come, just not this soon or this way. You were my everything and I was yours. Thanks for allowing me to be me without judgment.
Love your only child,*

Nakia





We will always love you and we would like to thank you for your life on this earth. You gave us everything we wanted and needed for our school, clothing, and shoes. You took us to school every day and took us to church. You made all f us smart. So again, thank you for everything that you have done for the family.

Love, Quail

We will always love you, think about you, pray about you, and write about you.

Love, Yaseen





Pallbearers
Family & Friends

Interment
Mt. Hope Cemetery
Chicago, Illinois

Acknowledgement

We would like to thank you for helping us during this very difficult time. Your kindness and concerns for our family means so much to us. We appreciate all the love and support you have extended to us during this period of sadness, and we are so grateful for all you have done.

May God bless and keep you!

The Lewis Family

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