

Pallbearers

[Grandsons and Great-Grandson]

Christopher Smith

Terrence King

Já Kyi Harris

Steven Khalif McMorris

Kazi Sharif McMorris

Kyle Curtis



Family Gratitude

The family of Vera King-Gantt would like to thank you for your support during this time. Your prayers, words of comfort, and expressions of kindness are greatly appreciated. The family would like to send a special thanks to Grace Hospice of South Bend, Indiana.

Arrangements Entrusted To



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A Celebration of Love For Our Beloved Matriarch

Mrs. Vera Mae King-Gantt

Sunrise: May 29, 1930

Sunset: March 14, 2021

'Mother'



Monday, March 22, 2021

Visitation: 11:00 a.m.

Service: 12:00 p.m.

**Greater St. John Missionary Baptist Church
101 N. Adams Street • South Bend, Indiana 46628**

Pastor André A. McGhee, Officiant



Her Journey

Mrs. Vera Mae King-Gantt was granted her angel wings on Sunday March 14, 2021. The sun shined on this special day as God opened his arms and welcomed her home. Her final days were spent surrounded by her family and special friends. Mrs. Gantt was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great grandmother, and a loyal friend. More importantly, she was a faithful child of God.

Her journey started on May 29, 1930 when she was born in Hughes, Arkansas on the Gordon Plantation to the union of George Johnson and Rosa (Henderson) Johnson. Vera had seven siblings: Ida, Betsy, Sidney Jeans, Joe, Burl, Neomia Johnson and LC Cook. All her siblings preceded her in death. Vera was baptized in Mound City, Arkansas at the age of 11. She remained faithful to God and was a long-time member of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in South Bend, Indiana under the leadership of the late Pastor Hardy N. Petty. She was an active and dutiful member where she served as a Sunday school teacher, a member of the choir and a member of the missions board. She later joined Greater St. John Missionary Baptist Church in South Bend, Indiana under the leadership of Pastor André A McGhee. She was no longer able to be mobile during this time, but her faith and love for God never wavered. Mrs. Gantt enjoyed reading the bible. She would often share her favorite scripture from **Psalms 27:1, "The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?"**



Mrs. Gantt was the mother of nine children who affectionately referred to her as "Mother": Assata Damani, Pastor James E. (Cathryn) King, Sylvia (the late Charles) Moran, Joseph King, who also preceded her in death, (Evelyn), Elton (Kathy) King, Howard (Karen) King, Timothy King, John King, and Cynthia King-Harris (Fred). She was blessed with 29 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren who will miss their 'mamaw' dearly.

She was preceded in death by a special grandson, Jimmie (Ato) Herron; and his daughter, Dominique Laquise Shampaigne Herron aka, 'Nina.'

Vera also leaves behind a special sister-friend, Mrs. Janie Godard; and a special sister-in-law, Sam Ella Shield. Vera will be missed for her great sense of humor, the wisdom she would impart to others given the knowledge she gained in the 90 years she was blessed to live, and those marvelous pineapple coconut cakes she would prepare for her family.

The Order of Service

Monday, March 22, 2021 • 12:00 p.m.

Greater St. John Missionary Baptist Church

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- Processional Clergy and Family
- Prayer Clergy

The Holy Scriptures

- Old Testament Reading: *Psalms 27:1-14* Pastor Fredrick Brown
- New Testament Reading: *John 14:1-7, 27* Rev. Brian Martin
- Song of Comfort: "God Is" Sis. Bettie Redmon
- Cards and Condolences Sis. Barbara Turner
- Reading of The Obituary Sis. Barbara Turner

Words of Expression from the Grandchildren
Words of Expression from the Children

- Remarks [limit 6 people/2 minutes each] Friends and Loved Ones
- Song of Comfort: "Oh, Mary Don't You Weep" Sis. Bettie Redmon
- The Eulogy Pastor André A. McGhee

~ Committal ~

- Recessional Clergy, Family, and Friends

Earthly Resting Place

Highland Cemetery • South Bend, Indiana