



## Gloria Grant

November 9, 1934 - April 9, 2008

GRANT, Mrs. Gloria - Age 73, passed away April 9, 2008 at her residence. Family hour 10:30AM Monday, April 14, 2008 at Vernon Chapel AME Church, 5802 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11:30AM, Pastor Ernest J. Garrison officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30AM Monday. Mrs. Grant will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 10AM-6PM Sunday. Mrs. Gloria Marsh Grant was born November 9, 1934 in Logan, West Virginia. She was the daughter of Cooper T. and Ida Marsh. She received her early education in West Virginia, graduating from Aracoma High in 1952. Gloria received her secondary education at Wilberforce University where she sang and traveled with the University Choir and pledged Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Zeta Chapter. She graduated from Wilberforce University in 1956 with a Bachelors in Education. Gloria then moved to Flint, beginning a career with the Flint Board of Education, teaching at both Dort and Parkland Elementary Schools. She also then joined the Vernon Chapel AME Church and worked within the music ministry over 30 years. Gloria met and married Normal Leso Grant, December 5, 1958 to this union one child, Lyria Regina was born. She then became employed by Genesee County Model Cities where she worked as a Program Coordinator, later working with Greater Flint OIC as a Lead Case Manager, lastly working as the GCCAA SYETP Director for over 10 years. During her lifetime, she has worked with numerous churches throughout Flint

contributing to the ministry through music and song. Mrs. Gloria Marsh Grant leaves to mourn her loss: daughter, Lyria Regina Grant and friend, Gary Gibson; grandson, Timothy Charles Grant-Randall all of Houston, TX; 2 brothers, Charles Marsh of Flint and Jonathan Marsh of Birmingham, AL; numerous sisters-in-law including, Viola Walker and Virginia Grant of California; brothers-in-law, Andrew and Willie Grant, Marvin and Beulah Grant, George and Lottie Grant all of Flint; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and special dear friends including Jacqueline Jordan, Susie Brown, Addie George, Mary Alice Branch, Ann Newman, Penny Dean, Minnie Harden, and Bruce Strange and Charles Johnson. Mrs. Gloria Marsh Grant was preceded in death by husband of 45 years, Normal Leso Grant; parents, Cooper T. and Ida Marsh; 2 brothers, Johnnie Lee Marsh and Ronald Eugene Marsh. The family would like to express special thanks to Shirley, Jeri and Kathy of Avalon Hospice, Vernell Lee and Sheila Stewart.

# Tribute Wall



“ Gloria Grant

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ Lyria, I want you to know that you have my deeest sympathy. There are no words to convey what I am actually feeling, I had written you an e-mail saying that I had greamed about your Mom and a few of her neighbors, but I didn't send it,my Mom was missing and I had to run. You and I go waaaaaaaay back and no matter how many miles are between us if I could find a way to contact you- I did it. I hate to be doing it now for this reason. Remember how our Moms would stay on the phone for hours when we were suppose to be getting together but they'd talk the whole day away and we never ended up hooking up.We were kids but we had our fun. Whenever I'm driving in the hood I can't help but look at the house you grew up in. Well the house where we were kids playing together, you had everything in the world to play with. Lyria, girl my heart is with you and you are most definitely in my thoughts and prayers and you always will be.If there is anything I can do, Girl I'm there. I know that there are no words to ease the pain you are going thru and I'm sure you weren't thru grieving over your Dad (which I didn't know about until a week or so later). Your Mom has always been my "Aunt Gloria" since we were 4 and 5. And that's all I've ever called her so that made you my cousin.And that's all I've ever called you. Dang we go back 40+ years and we will go 40 more. I will see you very soon. I'm praying for God to give you the strength that you will need to get thru this and even after this.I love you "Dilyrious" as Derrick called you. May God bless and keep you, I will see you very soon-  
Naye

RE-NAYE SANDERS - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with the Grant family at this time. Lyria you took care of your parents until the Lord called them home, and that is something you should be proud of. I want you and Tim to know that Deane and myself will be here for both of you when you return to Houston.*

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**Demetria Brewster** - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ A Prayer For You

*I said a prayer for you today.  
I hope you didn't mind.  
I asked the Lord to comfort you  
and put your tears behind.*

*I prayed for peace and mercy, too,  
to help you through each day,  
And for His loving guidance  
as He leads you on your way.*

*You need not walk this path alone  
so I prayed He'd hold your hand,  
and offer you some guidance  
in a way you'll understand.*

*I asked Him for little miracles  
and to bless you every day.  
Keep searching for the Rainbows -  
and let Him light your way.*

*Lyria, I can honestly say, I know what you are going through. When  
I talked to you the other day, you seemed very strong; so I know you  
will be Ok. See you in Houston.  
God Bless*

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**The Jacobs Family** - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *My prayers are with the family during this time of transition. Gloria  
was a great musician, and a fun-loving person. I cannot remember  
ever seeing her without a smile. She will be missed.*

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**A. Jeffrey LaValley** - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ To my cousin Timothy love you Xavian

Etta Randall - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ Lyria, was so sorry to here of you and Timothy lost and the rest of your family. Wish we was their with you but know that you are in our heart and prayer. Will see you and Timothy upon your return to Houston. Jorien and Roderica sends their sympathy as well, with deepest sympathy lover Monica

Eric and Rhonda Randall - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ May God Bless and keep you and my Son Timothy close in prayer.

Dwight

Dwight S. Randall Sr - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ "L" from time we found out we were in houston,you havealways been a close sister to me.We talked about all the good times in Flint,the crazy work days we shared,the friends we have.But moct of all you talked of how much you loved your mother.she's proud of you and she know you are going to be just fine.We talked of times like this and we overcome adversity.from life,work, friends,family you always told me it was your "FAITH" that has been there for you.So keep on keeping that faith for it's him that get us back up!!!!!! you know demetria and myself are here for you love you sis godbless.

Rick West - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Lyria,  
Man, as I sit here so many memories run through my head of Glo and Leso. Your mother was definitely one-of-a-kind; **STRONG, PROUD, SMART,** and well respected in the community. I just thank god for the wonderful memories I have of both your parents and of us as "think we know it all kids". I only hope that knowing she is in a better place gives you some comfort. Always know that I am only a phone call away, anytime, nite or day.

**LOVE YOU**

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**Alvita Jackson** - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Lyria, all I can say is OMG. As I sat at work this morning looking through old newspapers, I saw your Mom's obituary. I'm praying for you and your family during this most difficult time. As you know, I sat where your sitting just a mere 4 months & 5 days ago. With that being said, I know how important and touching it is to read your family, friends, neighbors, childhood friends and acquaintances tribute to your Mom. To me, Mrs. Grant was a STELLAR mom, lady, wife and friend.

Our parents - Sam & Elmira Jones and Leso and Gloria Grant were VERY dear friends for eons and their friendship set the tone for our (you and I) friendship to blossom the way it did. Looking back to 1976, remember when we, the six of us went to Kings Island Theme Park in Ohio for 3-4 days? Girl, that was the absolute most memorable Theme Park experience I've ever had to this day & I'm 48 now. I share those experiences with my kids and I still have gobs of photos too. Your Mom and Dad were so loving and giving of themselves to others. Another fond memory I have was of your beautifully decorated and accessorized bedroom with your elegant 'white' bedroom furniture that included a canopy bed. I'd never actually seen one until I saw yours. Your giving spirit and funloving demeanor was ALWAYS a treat, plus your Mom would cook super good stuff and your Dad, like my Dad had a quiet sweet spirit that our Mom's couldn't resist. LOL I'm also PROUD to be a lady of 20 pearls just as your Mom. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Now that she's an IVY BEYOND THE WALL, know that she'll never, ever be away from my precious memory and I'm sure you possess some of, if not all of the genuine qualities that your mother had to be successful and strong at this time. I KNOW they're proud of you and your son. I'm only a phone call away, as a matter of fact, when things settle down, please, please give me a call so we can catch up and have our kids meet one another. Maybe, just maybe, we could take them to Kings Island this or next summer, and we can act like kids again. XOXOXOX, Elly

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Elvira "Elly" Jones - Chapman - April 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM