



Ms. Ella Gilliam

October 4, 1941 - January 12, 2017

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.
II Timothy 4:7

Our Mom, Ella Carol Adkins Gilliam aka “E. J. and Ella Jane” was born on October 4, 1941 in Richmond, VA, to the late Blanche Speller Adkins and the late James Adkins. Mom was raised by her grandmother, the late Kinnie Speller in Windsor, NC. Our mom was called home by the Lord on Thursday morning, January 12, 2017.

Mom left North Carolina and relocated to Atlantic City, New Jersey in 1973 where she worked at Rutgers University for many years. Mom moved back home to North Carolina in 1989 where she resided in Greenville, NC. Mom worked as Office Manager at At Home Personal Care for many years up until the Lord called her home.

Our mom was a mom like no other. She was loving, kind, understanding, never to judge or blame, humble, honest, loyal and caring. To all that knew her she became a mother, a friend, a teacher and a counselor. Mom loved God first and her family second. As long as mom had God and her family everything was right with her. Our mom loved people in any way possible. Mom will be truly missed by many people.

Mom was preceded in death by her husband, Arland Gilliam, her sister, Shirley Adkins; cousin, Fannie Cordon (who was like a sister).

Our Mom leaves to cherish her memories a son, Arland Gilliam, Jr.; two daughters, Gwendolyn Gilliam-Bell, Regenia Gilliam-Ward; two grandsons, Nicholas A. Gilliam and Christian A. Gilliam; two sons-in-law, Stephen L. Bell and Trakel Ward; her dog, Mia all of Greenville, NC; two special cousins who were like brothers, Lee "Bay" Speller of New Jersey, William "Bouncey" Speller of Ayden, NC; a host of cousins and good friends.

Cemetery Details

Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Previous Events

Service

JAN 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

Sycamore Hill Missionary Baptist Church
1001 Hooker Road
Greenville, NC 27834

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Ella Gilliam*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss. Mrs Ella was a beautiful spirit and will truly be missed.*



Keishonia Cotton - January 21, 2017 at 09:39 PM



“ *My heart was sadden by the loss of Mrs. Ella. My heartfelt condolences to the Gilliam family. Just keep looking to the hills because God is in control. Please know that my prayers are with you.*

Wanda Klein

Wanda Klein - January 21, 2017 at 11:36 AM



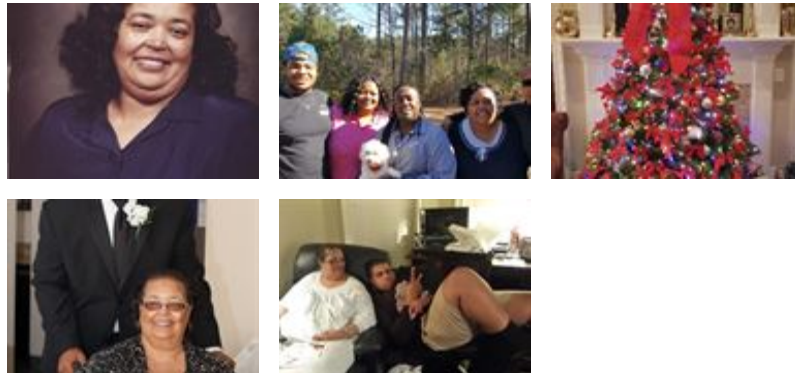
“ *Rudolph Mebane and Family / Herman Holley purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ms. Ella Gilliam.*



Rudolph Mebane and Family / Herman Holley - January 20, 2017 at 02:57 PM



“ 105 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Congleton Memorial Mortuary - January 19, 2017 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ *Debra Horton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ella Gilliam*



Debra Horton - January 18, 2017 at 07:47 PM

AH

“ *April Horner purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ms. Ella Gilliam.*



April Horner - January 17, 2017 at 04:18 PM



“ - *The Soul Psychedelique Orchestra purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ms. Ella Gilliam.*



- The Soul Psychedelique Orchestra - January 17, 2017 at 12:56 PM



“ *Congleton Funeral Home And Staff sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ella Gilliam*



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - January 17, 2017 at 10:28 AM



“ *She was an Angel indeed rest in peace. From the Rogers Family.*



Latisha Rogers - January 16, 2017 at 09:46 PM



“ *Vanessa White sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ella Gilliam*



Vanessa White - January 13, 2017 at 03:10 PM

RW

“ IM SO SORRY REGINA AND GWEN TO HEAR ABOUT MS ELLA TRASITIONING.SHE WAS A VERY NICE PERSON AND A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH.BUT SHE HAS GAINED HER WINGS RIH.

RONI L WILSON FROM GRIFTON NC

RONI WILSON - January 12, 2017 at 10:50 PM

VW

“ *Vanessa White lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ella Gilliam*



Vanessa White - January 12, 2017 at 02:15 PM