

Gladys Mae Blackmon Merritt

September 6, 1928 - February 3, 2015

Gladys Mae Blackmon Merritt of Hudson, NY, was born September 6, 1928 in Lancaster, SC to the late Azalee Prescott. She passed away Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson.

Gladys worked for a number of years for the NYS Training School for Girls, which is now called the Hudson Correctional Facility. She also worked as a teachers aide for HCSD in the 60's, as well as various other jobs over her lifetime.

She is survived by her children, Betty Belnavis of Tampa, FL, Bettina Young of Hudson, NY, and Quincey Williams of NC; her grandchildren, William Carter, Eric Carter, and Serica Carter, all of Florida; and her great-grandchildren, Jonathan Belk, Mario Munroe, William Carter, Jyrale Carter, Ambreisha Carter, Devin Carter, Micah Carter, Serenity Carter, Eric Carter, Jr., Erica Carter, Erika Carter, Erielle Carter, and great-great-grandchildren, all of Florida. Also surviving are three sisters-in-law, Frances Hughes, Jackie Merritt, and Juanita Murphy and a host of nieces and nephews.

Gladys avocations were being a Sunday School teacher at various churches including Shiloh Baptist Church, Assembly of God, and Christ Church. In her latter years, she was a member of Overcomers Ministries International Church and most recently began attending All Nations Church. A talented vocalist,

Gladys loved singing and often was requested as a guest vocalist at various churches. Gladys was a woman of God who loved interacting with and teaching children. Also she especially loved spending time with her three dogs, King Solomon, Dutchess, and Bella.

She is predeceased by her husband of 30+ years, James D. Merritt and most recently her grandson, Jonathan Belk of Tampa, FL. Also predeceased are several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

The wake and funeral will be held on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at Shiloh Baptist Church, 14 Warren St., Hudson. The wake will be held from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm and the funeral service from 1:00 - 2:00 pm. A celebration of life dinner will follow at Shiloh Baptist Church. All are welcome to attend.

Tribute Wall

BY

“ Mom. It has almost been 1-year since your death, but my sorrow is still present as I move forward in life. We have a bond that cannot be broken even in death. Thank you for helping to shape me into the person I am today.

Love Always,
Tena



bettina young - January 27, 2016 at 09:39 AM

BY

“ Bettina Young lit a candle in memory of Gladys Mae Blackmon Merritt



Bettina Young - June 05, 2015 at 12:09 PM

KW

“ Praying for the family.



Keisha Williams - February 16, 2015 at 09:26 PM

BB

“ My mom will always be in my Heart and Mind . Listening, and trying to obey mom was hard for me when I was younger but as I become older,wiser, mom was Right and I will always Thank God for my Mom, and Big Ma. To Moms Grands,Great-Grands,Great-Great Grands.We Will Forever Miss and Hold You mom in Our Minds and Thoughts FOREVER . Love daughter Betty and Family in Florida.

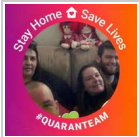
Betty jackson Belnavis - February 16, 2015 at 01:44 PM

BB

“ Betty Jackson Belnavis lit a candle in memory of Gladys Mae Blackmon Merritt



Betty jackson Belnavis - February 16, 2015 at 01:28 PM



“ Robin Delaney Cook lit a candle in memory of Gladys Mae Blackmon Merritt



Robin Delaney Cook - February 10, 2015 at 08:02 PM

PF

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your mom, Bettina. That is a great picture of her!

Call me when you want to talk.

Patrice

Patrice Fontaine - February 08, 2015 at 09:34 PM

NR

“ *Bettina, so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. What a women and what a great daughter you have been to her! Glad a got to see you the other day. My condelences to your entire family. Love Nancy (Rogers)*

Nancy Rogers - February 08, 2015 at 12:51 PM

RC

“ *RIP Ms Merritt I and my sons Alan and Christopher have fond memories from many churches we attended get togethers and from watching them when I worked on Saturdays many years back. You always had a story or two that would make us laugh we will miss you dear lady. My sincere condolences to your family*

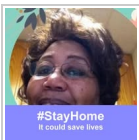
Robin Delaney Cook - February 07, 2015 at 08:05 PM



“ *To share our condolences to the family from the Merritt's Always The , Merritt ,Family*



Mary Merritt - February 07, 2015 at 10:04 AM



“ *RIP aunt ,you will be missed from here but never forgot .*



Mary Merritt - February 07, 2015 at 09:55 AM