

FLORAL BEARERS

Tammy Robinson
Barbara Green
Shirley Hunter

Brenda Powell
Lori Martin
Francis Miller

Shakaren Jeter

CASKET BEARERS

First Cousins



SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to close and dear friends and family who traveled with her on this long blessed and wonderful journey through her strength and health. Your love friendship and kindness shall forever more be in her heart.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Stephanie Gilliam would like to express their most sincere gratitude to everyone for the kindness shown during this most difficult time. We love and appreciate your prayers, love, cards, food, and flower arrangements that you all have provided. We pray that God blessed you all for your sincere kindness to us during this time.

Sincerely,

~The Family~

Arrangements Entrusted to:

The W. J. Gist Mortuary
519 Workman Avenue – Woodruff, South Carolina
Telephone 476-3411

Alexander, Casey & Gist Funeral Service
1223 Old Anderson Mill Road – Spartanburg, South Carolina
Telephone 574-5464
WJGIST.COM

*A Celebration of Life
for*

Ms. Stephanie Karetha Gilliam



Sunrise

March 24, 1959

Sunset

December 16, 2021

Thursday, December 23, 2021
One O' Clock in the Afternoon

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Rev. Catherine Evans, Officiating Minister
Rev. Pierre Salmon, Pastor



At Peace

Mommy,

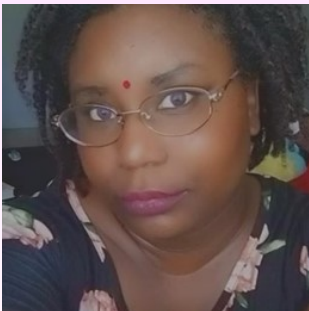
This is the first time I've ever seen you at peace. Although, a piece of us is missing. But seeing you at peace, hits different. Our hurt can't match how your soul feels. You walked out of earth in pain, stepped into Heaven healed. I can imagine your piece in heaven, somewhere in a writers corner. Where Maya Angelou introduces you as a phenomenal woman. And Ma I want to show gratitude. These beautiful words came from me but I got them from the piece of you. I tried but for some reason you won't let me cry. You said, those tears you have in your eyes turn them into a smile. My son, I'm at peace and I'm happy now. I'm at home with the family and reunited with my other child. GOD was ready for me, and I was ready for heaven. The earthly me is gone, but a piece of my spirit is still present.

Mommy, I want your peace to be still. In due time, my peace that hurts, that piece will be healed.

P.S. Tell Garie his football team..... Never mind!!

By: Chauncey Hunter





I'm Spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this Year

I see the countless Christmas trees, Around the world below. With tiny lights, like heaven's stars, Reflecting on the snow.

The sight is so spectacular, Please wipe away that tear. For I'm spending Christmas, With Jesus Christ this year. I hear the many Christmas songs, That people hold so dear.

But the sounds of music can't compare, With the Christmas choir up here. For I have no words to tell you, The joy their voices bring. For it is beyond description, To hear the angels sing. I can't tell you of the splendor, Or the peace here in this place.

Can you just imagine Christmas, With our Savior, face to face?

I'll ask Him to light your spirit, As I tell Him of your love. So then pray one for another, As I lift you eyes above. Please let your hearts be joyful, And let your spirit sing. For I'm Spending Christmas in Heaven, And I'm walking with the King.

~© Wanda Bencke ~

LIFE PROFILE

Sunrise

Stephanie Karetha Hunter Gilliam was born March 24, 1959 in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Sunset

Stephanie entered into eternal rest on December 16, 2021. She was the daughter of the late Eugene Hunter and Yvonne Hunter. She was preceded in death by her grandmother Karetha Goggins, parents Eugene and Yvonne Hunter, son Sergeant First Class Garie L. Price, and sister Vona Poole.

A Life Well Lived

She attended school at New Bethel School System in Woodruff, SC and later Morgan State University in the state of Maryland. She was an Ordained Minister at Lanford Grove Holiness Church in Woodruff, SC and St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC. She was a brilliant writer! She loved to write poetry, screen plays, and books. She briefly pursued acting. She was deeply rooted in helping and donating to the women's shelter and to the homeless.

Those Who Remain

She leaves to cherish Fiancé David Spears, her two sons Gregory Price (Tanya) of Greer, SC and Chauncey Hunter (LaShanta) of Spartanburg SC. One daughter (niece) Lashunda Hunter of Greer, SC. Five Grandchildren Davorien Ray, Garie Price Jr., Zy'Nasia Hunter, Nykeria Price, and Gregory Price Jr. One great grandson Jeremiah Ray. Two brothers Eugene Hunter of Woodruff, SC, Collier Jones of Enoree, SC, Two sisters Jeradene Hunter of Woodruff, SC, Sherry Beaty (Tyrone) of Woodruff, SC and sister-in-law Marilyn Hunter of Woodruff, SC. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Presiding, Pastor Derrick Scurry

Processional—The Family

Selection- “God’s Grace”— St. Paul Choir & New Prospect Choir Combined

Scriptures:

New Testament —Minister Betty Beaty
Old Testament —Minister Cynthia Brown

Solo- “Mama” By Request

Prayer— Pastor Derrick Scurry

Solo- Ronald Browning

Acknowledgements — Taegan Smith

Reflections:

Special Tribute —Wanda Murphy
Special Tribute — Barbara Casey

Poems:

Shaquondra Hunter

Tanya Smith for Chauncey Hunter

Solo- By Request

Words of Comfort– Reverend Catherine Evans

Closing Prayer— Lashunda Hunter

Final Selection— “Welcome Home” — Ronald Browning

Recessional- The Family

Committal & Benediction

Repast will be at the home of Lashunda Hunter
200 Snow St ♦ Greer SC 29651