



Elizabeth Frances Gaines

July 30, 1932 - October 29, 2023

Obituary

Elizabeth Frances Wright Gaines was born on what was thought to be July 29, 1932 only to find out later in life that it was in fact July 30, 1932. She was the daughter of the late Beatrice Bivens Disharoon (David) and Avery Wright.

Frances or “Dump” as she was known to family and friends was educated in the public schools of Somerset County graduating from Greenwood High School. She was married to Leroy Gaines, Sr. For twenty-five (25) years she was employed at F.W. Woolworth in Salisbury, Maryland. Upon retiring she became the family babysitter and cook for her great grandchildren affectionately becoming known as “Granny Franny”. She was an avid reader, loved to solve word search puzzles and cooking Sunday dinners. Being around her family was her passion.

Frances was called from labor to reward on Sunday, October 29, 2023.

She leaves to cherish her memory four children, Donzell Hayman (Rodney, Sr.), Phyllis Gaines, Leroy Gaines and Beatrice Wright; six grandchildren, Teau Purnell, (Marc Jones, Sr.), Shawn Barnes (Dwayne, Sr.), Rodney Hayman, Jr., Jameya Booth, Jalyn Gaines, and Marquis Gaines; eight great-grandchildren, Tres’ Mills, Marc Jones, Jr., Danah Hayman, Jemir Jones,

Cameron Parker, Dwayne Barnes, Jr., Nia Barnes, and Maeson Gaines, three great-great-grandchildren, Mckinley Jones, Kordae Mills and Asher Jones, a dedicated son-in-love, Oscar Purnell, one sister, Mildred Thomas, several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Leroy Gaines, Sr., sisters, Alice, Frances, Frankie, and Betty, brothers, Floyd and Eldon, two bonus daughters, Ruth Johnson and Velma Miller.

Sorrowfully submitted,
The Family

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - Princess Anne
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Graveside Service

NOV 11. 1:30 PM (ET)

St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Cemetery
12255 Pete's Hill Road
Princess Anne, MD 21853