



## Emaline Elizabeth Hovington

January 26, 1955 - April 15, 2020

Emaline Elizabeth Hovington was born on Wednesday, January 26, 1955, to parents Franklin Hovington and Mary E. Turner, both deceased. Ms. Hovington was born and raised in Washington D. C., but, would spend summers and weekend's in her father's hometown, where she was known as "Lil Emaline" or "Lil Bits".

Emaline resided with her daughter in Dover, Delaware, where her battle with cancer would begin, and unfortunately, would end. Emaline passed away Wednesday, April 15, 2020, in Bayhealth Medical Center Dover, Delaware, surrounded by her children. Emaline Grew up in Northeast D.C. and attended D.C. Public schools.

She loved her hometown. Growing up, she would run and play in the streets of Northeast D.C. earning her the nickname "Billie", as she was a tomboy. Ms. Hovington grew up in the time of penny candy, basement parties and when one dollar could buy you a meal. Emaline loved remembering her times coming up with her sisters "Good Times", she would say. It was during this time she met the love of her life, Gerald P. Curtis. Their 34-year union would welcome four children. One, Gerald P. Curtis Jr. along with his dad, Gerald P. Curtis Sr., who also succumbed to cancer, welcomed her into heaven.

Emaline had a great-granddaughter, Noelle L. Cooper and two sisters, Doris Brown and

Sheila Richardson, who welcomed her as well.

Emaline was a devoted mother who gave her time and herself for her children and grandchildren. She was known to always be in the kitchen, puttering around, either cooking a big meal or just keeping things intact. She will be remembered for her warm smile, sense of humor and wit. Mostly, she will be remembered for her faith in God, as she was never one to worry because she knew God always has a plan. She loved being surrounded by good people, good food and good music. These qualities earned her a host of honorary children that would also love and call her mom.

She leaves to mourn, three children with whom she shared a close bond, Mary E. Curtis, Tiffany L. Hovington and Reginald W. Hovington, all residing in Dover; four granddaughters, Chelsea R. Curtis, Janell T Hovington, Teila S. Hovington and Janya S. Hovington, all of Dover, DE; four grandsons, Dellony Flowers, Xzavier Hovington, Marcellius Flowers and Jemir Hovington, all of Dover, DE; eight great grandchildren; 2 special nephews, James and Anthony Richardson, both of Maryland. Emaline shared a unique bond with all of “her babies”, grown or not, and they are all suffering a tremendous loss. Also left to mourn, are her brother, Franklin Hovington, Middletown, DE and sister, Kimberly Harmon, Felton DE; two brothers; three sisters-in-law; and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank everyone for the love and support we have been shown during this time.