



## Gladys M. Trower

December 2, 1937 - February 18, 2020

Our beloved, Gladys Trower, passed away peacefully after a prolonged illness at Select Specialty Hospital in Newport News, Virginia on Tuesday, February 18, 2020. She was surrounded by love with her dear children, sister, and other family members at her side. She was born on December 2, 1937 to the late Cleveland and Rosie Baines.

Mrs. Trower was a hardworking homemaker. To help provide for her family, she worked for years in canning at the Kane Miller Corporation, Perdue Farms, and as a housekeeper at the Anchor Motel. An Eastern Shore of Virginia native, Mrs. Trower was a lifelong member of New Allen Memorial A.M.E. Church, where she served as a stewardess, usher, and missionary. She was a devoted wife and mother.

Over the years, Mrs. Trower enjoyed working in her church, sewing, crocheting, and gardening, growing vegetables and beautiful flowers. She was always concerned with the needs of others and praying for her family. One of her finest roles was creating lasting memories through long talks on the phone and spending time with her family, which brought moments of great laughter, joy, strength, and encouragement. Her life inspires us to enjoy life, persevere through life's challenges, and trust in God.

She is survived by: her loving husband, William T. Trower: children, Margaret

Sample (Clarence) of Portsmouth, VA, Hughland Ivey Jr. (Ann) of Hampton, VA, Lawrence Ivey (Dorothy) of Greenbush, VA, Horace Smaw, Jr. (Tammy) of Cedar Hill, TX and Shirley Hudson (Marvin) of Spout Spring, VA; stepchildren: Gregory Trower of Bloxom, VA and Cynthia Bull (James) of Parksley, VA; siblings: Christine Reed (Levin-deceased) of Spring Hill, FL, Margaret Sample (Frederick) of Portsmouth, VA, Robert Baines (Ernestine) of Norfolk, VA and Paul Baines (Loretta-deceased) of Suffolk, VA, and many beloved grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

Mrs. Trower was predeceased by: two granddaughters, Rebecca Hudson of Hampton, VA and Brittney Austin of Greenbush, VA; her parents, Cleveland Baines and Rosa Baines of Exmore, VA; husbands, Horace Lee Smaw and Henry Roselle of Virginia; her brother, Milton Baines of Portsmouth, VA, and half-brothers, Cleveland Baines, Jr. and Samuel Giddens of Virginia.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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“ *"Rest, relax, and grow stronger as you let God share your load and have faith in a brighter tomorrow knowing that you've only come to a bend in the road." Sorrowfully Yours, Helen Harmon Rowley*

Helen Rowley - February 28, 2020 at 09:32 AM

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“ *To All the Family and Friends of our dear Sister Gladys Trower, the wife of Bill the only double first cousin my siblings and I have, let us hear the promise of our Lord Jesus Christ as we grieve her departure. Jesus says to us "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die." It is my prayer that we believe in Him and His Word. Let us pray: Merciful Father, the generations rise and pass away before You. You are the strength of those who labor and the repose of the blessed dead. We give you thanks for all who have lived and died in the faith, especially for Gladys, our dear sister. It is You alone who gave her life and poured out Your Holy Spirit when You washed her in the renewing waters of Holy Baptism. By the same Spirit You led her to confess with her mouth that Jesus is Lord and to believe in her heart that You have raised Christ from the dead. Give us faith to commend her to You and to await with confidence the resurrection of all Your saints, living and departed; through Jesus Christ our risen and returning Lord in whose precious name we pray. Amen & Blessings to All! Charles, Sandra, Shauna, Charlese, Jonathan, Jordan and Sandra N.*

Charles Trower - February 22, 2020 at 11:24 AM