

## *Remember Me*

*Speak of me as you have always done,  
Remember the good times, laughter, and fun.*

*Share the happy memories we've made,*

*Do not let them wither or fade.*

*I'll be with you in the summer's sun,*

*And when the winds chill has come.*

*I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze,*

*I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.*

*I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,*

*But memories we've shared, are yours to keep.*

*Sometimes our final days, may be a test,*

*But remember me, when I am at my best.*

*Although things may not be the same,*

*Don't be afraid to use my name.*

*Let your sorrow last for just a while,*

*Comfort each other and try to smile.*

*I've lived a life full of joy and fun.*

*Live on now, make me proud of what you'll become.*

## *Pallbearers*

Family and Friends

## *Floral Bearers*

Family and Friends

## *Acknowledgement*

We, the family of Mrs. Estelle Pope Gidron, would like to thank each of you for the many acts of kindness shown, during our loved one's sickness, and our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you, with His grace, love, and mercy.



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# *Home Going Service Celebrating the Life of*

## **MRS. ESTELLE POPE GIDRON**



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022  
11:00 A.M.

BROOKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH  
1066 SUNSET BOULEVARD  
WEST COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND DR. CHARLES B. JACKSON, SR.  
-PASTOR-

# Obituary

Mrs. Estelle Pope Gidron was born on August 7, 1950, in St. Matthews, South Carolina. She was the second child of the late Wesley Pope and Jessie Mae Haynes Pope. She departed this life on March 21, 2022. Estelle's formal education began at the all-girls schools of Bronx, New York. After relocating to South Carolina, she continued her education in the public school system of St. Matthews, South Carolina, graduating from John Ford High School.

Estelle's life was faith based. At an early age, she accepted Christ as her personal Lord and Savior. She joined the Missionary Baptist Church of Love, in New York City, where she was baptized in 1967.

Louis, her late husband, would share the story of their first meeting and when they knew they were intended for each other. He shared that he and Estelle first met when she was in first grade and he was in the fourth grade. When he saw her, it was like looking at a barnyard of chickens, and this one chick stood out from the rest. That chick was Estelle, and he knew early on she was the one for him. Well, he was looking at the chicks and she was observing this rooster who seemed to be in control, and decided he was the one for her.

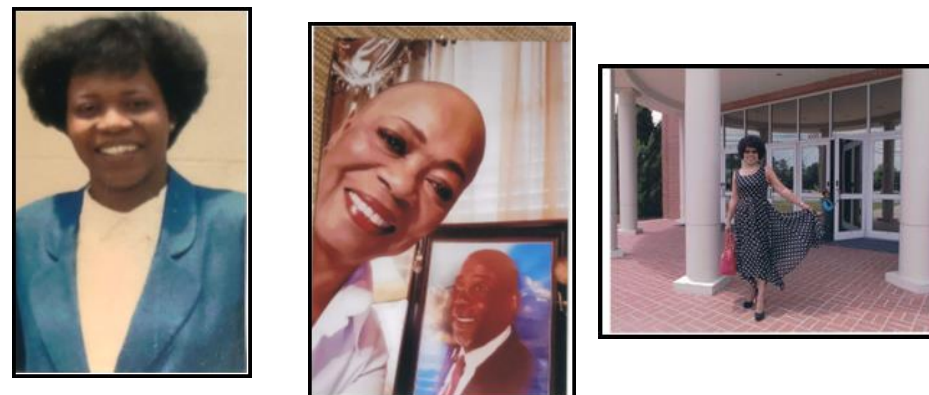
This barnyard union enriched both their lives, as they were united in holy matrimony in 1966. To this union, two children were produced, Vanessa Gidron and Bishop Darrell L. Gidron. She and Louis shared a fulfilling life together for 54 years, until Louis' departure in 2020. She enjoyed singing, reading, the game of spades, bowling, and time with her family. Let us not forget, Estelle loved to shop, and was a sassy and classy dresser. She had a hat, shoes, and purse for every occasion.

She started her employment making parts for airplanes, working for Kern Manufacturing Company and as an x-ray technician, in Queens, New York. Her work efforts ended in Columbia, South Carolina with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Upon her return to South Carolina, she united with Mt. Olive Baptist Church and Gill Creek Baptist Church, before finally settling at the Brookland Baptist Church, in West Columbia, South Carolina. She served faithfully for approximately 36 years. During her tenure, she gave dedicated service to the senior musical choir, sanctuary choir, jubilee choir, senior missionaries, seniors citizens' ministry, pastor's aide ministry, bible study student, and senior adult Sunday school participant. Estelle loved the Lord and lived a life of love and encouragement to others.

In the community, Estelle was an active member of Supreme Grand Lodge, Modern Free Sister in Christ Chapter 265. She volunteered with the Ronald McDonald House, supporter of the United Negro College Fund, and the National Law Enforcement. She was a WOIC mother of the year, and a WOIC citizen of the week.

Yes, she will be missed, but never forgotten. Memories will forever linger in the hearts of her daughter and caregiver of both parents, Vanessa Gidron, of Cayce, SC; son, Bishop Darrell L. Gidron, of Atlanta, GA; two grandsons, David Lyndon Jeffcoat, Jr. and Darrell Louis Shabach Gidron; one granddaughter, Deondra Latrice Coffee Gidron; great-granddaughters, Lailah Robinson (Gidron), Kamilah Robinson (Gidron), Ayanna Jeffcoat (Gidron), and Raelyn Sundai Jeffcoat (due July, 2022); four sisters, Sylvester (Edward) Burington, of Waynesville, MO, Crotell (Bill) Lewis, of Bronx, New York, Ruthlean (James) Charley, and Gertie (James) Milligan, of St. Matthews, SC; three goddaughters, Ashely Bell-Lyles, Kerri Pressley, and Mikayla Prioleau; several loving friends who became family, Joanne Bamberg-Jackson, Dr. Michelle Head, Teresa Jackson, Theresa Weldon, Gwen Prioleau, Ella Hood; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, other relatives, and friends, who will miss her dearly.

# Memories



# A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Dr. James Jamison, Presiding

- Prelude.....Musician
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Old Testament.....Psalm 121.....Reverend Marilyn Bassfield
- New Testament.....Romans 8:31.....Reverend Joesetta Smalls
- Prayer.....Reverend Nicky Wilson
- Solo
- Expressions.....Deacon Acy Suber, Jr.
- Selection
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr.
- Recessional
- Postlude



# Committal, Benediction and Interment

**Lincoln Cemetery**  
**4900 Farrow Road**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**