



Evelyn H. Adams

June 22, 1933 - June 28, 2021

Evelyn Marie Hines Adams was born to the late Cornelius Milton Hines and Helen Marie Hines on June 22, 1933. Following a brief illness, Evelyn peacefully went to be with The Lord at Providence Rehabilitation Center on June 28, 2021.

Evelyn was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and raised in Darby Township where she spent most of her life. Evelyn attended public schools and graduated from Ridley Township High School in June 1951. Evelyn also graduated from Cheyney State College in May 1955 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education and furthered her education at Temple University. Her entire teaching career was spent in The School District of Philadelphia first at the Meade School and then the Add B. Anderson School. Evelyn's motto was "knowledge is power". Evelyn was passionate and devoted to teaching her students. She kept a library of books at home from which she would prepare teaching materials to make sure her students would "learn something". She also was empathetic to the home and family circumstances of students providing warm clothes, guidance, and an "ear" to many a troubled young soul. She retired on January 4, 1991 after 35 years to enjoy travel, reading, social events and listening to classical music.

Evelyn married in 1954 and to that union were born her daughter, Cheryl Lorraine Gaston and son, D. Douglas Gaston, IV. Evelyn was a loving mother

to Cheryl and Doug. To Evelyn, the best days were when her children were born. She brought the same passion she had for teaching to raising her children to love learning and reading. Evelyn made sure her children knew there was a “big world” out there of which they should play an active part. Evelyn took her children to plays, concerts, and cultural events and encouraged their musical pursuits-for Cheryl it was piano and Doug with the drums. She encouraged them to pursue higher education and their dreams. Evelyn was the enormously proud mother of two lawyers. She also made sure her children were raised in the church and spiritually grounded.

Evelyn was a lifetime active member of Mt. Zion C.M.E. Church where she taught Sunday School, played the organ for choirs, and was a member of The Busy Bee Club, The Missionary Society and The Usher Board. She was also a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; Delaware County Chapter of Cheyney University Alumni Association - Class of 1955; The Roving Readers; two Red Hat Groups; and The Darby Township Good Neighbor Center.

Evelyn was affectionately known as “Madam Butterfly” by family and close friends. Evelyn was also known as the “card” lady! Evelyn would send a card to those she loved and cherished. If there was an occasion that was special to you, Evelyn would send a card to show her love and care. Evelyn was also a fashionista! She loved wearing beautiful dresses, the most stylish shoes, and her matching hats. Pearls were Evelyn’s signature jewelry. Evelyn believed every woman, young or old, should have pearls and, she has a large collection of necklaces, earrings, bracelets, and rings gifted to her for Birthdays, special occasions, and Christmas.

Evelyn was predeceased by her parents, her brother Cornelius Milton Hines, Jr., a nephew Darrell David Hines (Sheila) and former spouse Rufus J. Adams.

Evelyn is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Cheryl L. Gaston; her son D. Douglas Gaston, IV (Michele); sisters Gloria H. Potts (Erwin) and Lois Marriott; brother Bernard Hines (Helen); grandchildren Charles Gaston (Sylvia), Corinne Gaston and Mariel Gaston, TaJae Bryant (Hillary), and Najeh Fowler; great grandson Tavaune D. Griffin; three great-great grandchildren; an Aunt Alice Winchester; nieces Jacquelynn Hines and Lesley-Ann Cisse, a nephew Vincent Hines (Daffodil), cousins, a godchild, great nieces, a great nephew and a host of loved ones and friends. Evelyn is also survived by former spouse D. Douglas Gaston, III, the father of Cheryl and Doug.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Evelyn's Memory can be made to:

Reading Is Fundamental

750 First Street NE, Ste. 920

Washington, DC 20002

Attn: Development Department

URL: www.rif.org

Lovingly,

The Family

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/>

Meeting ID: 6848386118

Passcode: 701871

Cemetery Details

Arlington Cemetery

2900 State Road
Drexel Hill, PA PA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Arlington Cemetery Chapel
2900 State Road
Drexel Hill, PA

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Evelyn H. Adams

October 07, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ Evelyn H. Adams

October 04, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *I met Evelyn when I attended the Roving Book Club. She was always so friendly and had a great smile. I always admire how Evelyn could dress and her hair always looked good. She was a very kind person. One time I asked if I could borrow her book. Evelyn asked me when was my birthday. I told her and it was the next month. Evelyn told me she did not lend her book to anyone but gave me money as a birthday present to buy the book.. I was embarrassed but I used the money to buy the book. After that every year, I received a birthday card from her. I will miss your mother, your sister, and my friend. My prayers are with the entire family on this sad day. Vivian Omagbemi*

Vivian Omagbemi - July 08, 2021 at 03:02 PM

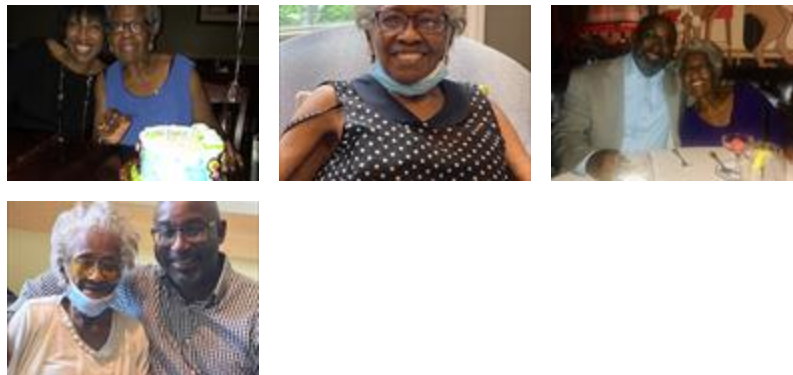
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“ Commissioner Smith from Darby Township Ward 1 take this moment to send our heartfelt love and condolences to the family of Miss Adams she was a lovely person educator a church member and family friend chill of Darby Township she loved the children that she taught for many years until her retirement she will always be remembered here in the township of Darby can we pray that the family really strengthened and hold to God's unchanging hand what's love , Sharon Stiles,, Commissioner Marvin Smith Jane Hanna and Ann Davies

marvin smith smith - July 08, 2021 at 11:46 AM

DG

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Doug Gaston - July 07, 2021 at 10:18 PM

WA

“ Mrs. Evelyn was a beautiful lady who was quick to smile. I always felt welcomed in her presence.

Walter Brown Jr.

Walter - July 06, 2021 at 07:36 PM