



Ms. Evelyn Lucille Blake

February 3, 1932 - January 4, 2024

Evelyn Lucille was born to the union of Perk Glenn, Sr. and Viola Glenn, in Muncie, Indiana on February 3rd, 1932. She was the youngest of their eight children; Napoleon, Fostine, Louise, Perk, Roseanne, Jeanette, Agnes, and Evelyn.

Both of Evelyn's parents were devout Christians. All of their children were raised in church. Her mother, Viola, was a Music Evangelist and an Ordained Minister. God has always been first in Evelyn's life. She accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age while attending Maynard Temple COGIC in Muncie, Indiana.

She was active in the church in various capacities, but her passion was working with the youth groups, and singing in the choir. Evelyn's older siblings were born in Elmore County, Alabama. Her father, Perk, Sr. (born in 1860), made numerous strides to get a school built for the black children there.

When he could not make leeway with the city officials, he decided to move up north to Indiana so that his children would be able to get a good education. Evelyn received her early education in Muncie, Indiana. She earned her GED while attending the Milwaukee Area Technical College

in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

As the youngest, Evelyn saw the family changing; all her siblings had left home. Her friends were getting married or engaged, and she felt all alone. In 1947, Evelyn met this tall handsome man named Clifton Armstrong. They fell in love and got married. After getting married Evelyn moved to Indianapolis, Indiana. God blessed her with five children; three daughters and two sons.

This is a direct quote from Evelyn's journal:

"As I reflect over my life my greatest regret collides with my happiest moments in life. Let me explain. I did not graduate from college. I left school because of a magical phrase called 'Love and Marriage'. To this union I gave up pursuing my dream of obtaining a college degree, however because of this I have birthed five beautiful children who have contributed more than enough to make this world and this nation a better place for mankind. My oldest daughter, Carlotta is employed by the Milwaukee Public School System, my son Dwight has made a tremendous contribution to the Armed Forces and securing the safety of this country, my third child Gary is an Inspector for the State of Wisconsin, my fourth child Jacqueline lives in California and is a teacher. My fifth and youngest child is Victoria. She has earned a BA,

a Masters and is enrolled in a doctorate program."

In 1964, Evelyn and the children started a new life and moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Evelyn was so happy to be back with two of her sisters and her brothers who already lived there.

She and her sisters were practically inseparable. Every Sunday Evelyn and her siblings with

their spouses met at one or the other's house. They enjoyed this time while reminiscing, poking

fun at each other; laughing and enjoying good food and company. She and Roseanne went to

church together for 50 years sitting side by side. At first they belonged to Williams Temple

COGIC under the leadership of Pastor Johnny C. Williams, and then Morris Memorial COGIC

under the Pastorates of the late Bishop W.L. Morris and Elder Garnett Herron. Evelyn and

Roseanne were both members of The Life Center COGIC under their Pastor, Elder Micaiah

Young.

In 1965, Evelyn met (another tall handsome man) the late Odell Glover. They fell in love and

got married. With her husband, sisters, and brothers by her side, Evelyn had a very fulfilling and

adventurous life. She enjoyed family time and connecting Church Community and the Bible

together. She loved gardening, canning, and baking cakes. Evelyn played the piano, loved Arts

& Crafts, writing her life story, and of course, she was a fashionista! Every summer she planned and led Vacation Bible School wherever she was. Evelyn was employed by the Milwaukee Public School System as a Social Worker. She was always spreading joy with her radiant smile and laughter. 'Evelyn and her sisters Roseanne and Jeanette had the opportunity to travel the world. Just as she soared across the continents of the earth, her spirit has taken flight to join God the Father and her loved ones, for Eternity. She will be truly missed.

Preceding her in death were Viola Glenn (mother) and Perk Glenn, Sr. (father); five sisters: Fostine, Louise, Roseanne, Agnes, and Jeanette; two brothers, Perk and Napoleon. Also preceding her are spouses: Clifton Armstrong, Odell Glover, and Earl Blake; grandson, Joshua Armstrong; granddaughter, Alayna Smith, and one great grandson, baby Zion Armstrong. She leaves to cherish her memory all her children: Carlotta (Willie) Pruitt, Dwight Armstrong, Gary (Brenda) Armstrong Jacqueline (Calvin) Sanders, Victoria (Marcus) Smith and her beloved Goddaughter, Tracy Connor; four first cousins: Thomasina. Mitchell, William C. Jackson, Betina Jackson, and David Jackson; three sisters-in-law: Lucy (Perk deceased) Glenn, Shirley (Robbie): Tandy (IN), Mary (Chink) Anderson (IN): 22 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, 13 great-great-grandchildren, and a host of other nieces, nephews, family and friends, whom ALL gave her life tremendous joy and THAT is why she smiled!

Cemetery Details

Northwest Cremation Services

6630 W. Hampton Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53218

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel
6630 W. Hampton Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Funeral Service

JAN 20. 1:00 PM (CT)

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