



Gala Temyka Perry

June 30, 1970 - August 25, 2022

It's with a heavy heart to announce the passing of Ms. Gala Minter-Perry. Who departed this life on Thursday August 25, 2022. Visitation will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2022 from 2-8pm at our South Dekalb Chapel. Celebration of Life Services will be held on Friday, September 2 2022 at 3:00PM Gregory B Levett and Sons South Dekalb Chapel. Due to COVID-19, a mask will be required to enter our building. Please express your condolences here on our website. Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, South DeKalb Chapel located at 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway, GA 30034. 404-241-5656.

Obituary

Gala Temyka Perry

Gala Temyka Perry, born in Detroit, Michigan, was the first of Delphine McCoy-Perry and the late Frank Perry, Jr.'s two children. Gala departed this earthly life on Thursday, August 25, 2022, while surrounded by her loving family in Atlanta, Georgia.

Gala was a devoted and committed daughter, sister, mother, and grandmother.

Her life was dedicated to Christ from an early age. She gave her life to the Lord while attending Gospel Temple Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan under

the leadership of Reverend Joseph Edward King. Even after moving to Ellenwood, Georgia as a teen, Gala continued her relationship with Christ by making New Life Baptist Church her home.

Gala excelled academically before she was ever enrolled in school. At the young age of four, the smart precocious child taught herself to read. By ten years old, Gala created her own in-house school in her mother's toolshed where she invited several kids in the neighborhood on a daily basis for a couple of hours to teach them their ABC's, 123's, and how to read. The children loved her and their parents did too. This was because she did this with love and from her heart! Her love of learning propelled her into academic excellence later in life. After receiving her diploma from Lithonia High School, she received a full undergraduate academic scholarship, followed by a scholarship to finish her Doctoral Degree. Gala pursued her undergraduate degree at Iowa State where she met several lifelong friends. Upon returning to Georgia, she found her career and passion in education. Her love for children catapulted into teaching. During her tenure of teaching, she decided to further her education and obtained her Master's Degree in School Counseling. After a short break, Gala made it her goal and was in the process of completing her Doctoral Degree.

Even after being stricken by an unexpected illness, Gala never lost concern or love for the kids at her school. She referred to them lovingly as "her babies". She would often express her concern by saying, "Mom, I worry about them falling behind". Gala's capacity to love was exceptional. She never wavered in her desire to help others. She was fearless in giving of her love, brave in following her dreams, and selfless with her talents and gifts.

Some people come into this world and the world changes them; others come into this world, and they change it. Gala changed the world by being in it by unselfishly giving of her gifts. Yesterday, today, and tomorrow will seem a little emptier. However, we are truly blessed to have had the opportunity to love and be loved by her. This world lost an amazing woman, educator, counselor, and advocate for our children. Her mother is beyond proud to have raised an

exceptionally intelligent, gifted, and talented young lady.

Gala was preceded in death by her father, the late Frank Perry. She leaves to cherish her loving memories with her son (Nigel Bridges), granddaughter (Naomi Adell Bridges), mother (Delphine McCoy-Perry), sister (Taka S.Perry-Hines), brother-in-law (Xarrius Hines) whom she affectionately call "my little brother", two nieces (Shyloh Love Hines & Syah Koi Hines), and a host of friends and family.

Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Gala was a beautiful and loving woman inside and out. Remember giving her Stormy whom she wholeheartedly loved like she does her family. God with you all and I hope video brings back happy memories.*

Love Keasha Laborn



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Keasha Laborn - September 06, 2022 at 08:50 PM

SA

“ *Sashelle Alexander lit a candle in memory of Gala Temyka Perry*



Sashelle Alexander - September 02, 2022 at 06:12 PM

JG

“ *Such a beautiful spirit who will be truly missed. Gala was more than a cousin to me, she was my friend. Our bond and our memories will be forever treasured. Sending my love and prayers to the rest of the family.*

Joy Green - September 02, 2022 at 03:17 PM

SS

“ Sharon Symonette lit a candle in memory of Gala Temyka Perry



Sharon Symonette - September 01, 2022 at 10:19 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gala Temyka Perry.



August 31, 2022 at 10:05 PM

KB

“ Such a beautiful person. You will be missed. 🕊️

Kristie Blanks - August 31, 2022 at 09:20 PM

NC

“ Gala was such a wonderful person. She will be missed.

Noel Charles - August 31, 2022 at 11:38 AM

NA

“ To the McCoy family I will continue to keep you all lifted in prayer.



Na'Tasha - August 31, 2022 at 10:55 AM

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“ *Gala you will be missed. It was always wonderful speaking with you when we did. Love you and rest in power.* ”



Na'Tasha - August 31, 2022 at 10:50 AM

EG

“ *Elijah Gardner lit a candle in memory of Gala Temyka Perry* ”



Elijah Gardner - August 31, 2022 at 10:43 AM