



## Mary Vestine Null

December 5, 1931 - September 25, 2021

Mary Vestine Null was born in Philadelphia, MS to Tom and Nellie Kelley on December 5, 1931. She was the youngest of 7 children born to that union. Her family fondly call her Cricket but most knew her as Tina or Vestine. She completed high school at Longdale High School in Philadelphia, MS. Moved to Nashville, TN and then settled in Chicago, IL. In August 1955 she joined in holy matrimony to Richard Leon Brown of Chicago, IL. They welcomed a daughter Nina L. (Brown) Jackson in June 1959. In 1967 she re-married to Raymond Null of Mt. Vernon, TX. They were married for 30 years until he departed this life in December 1997. No children were born to that union. She was a member of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Chicago, IL and served faithfully.

She was a true lover of Art and Museums. She retired from the Snite Museum of Art on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. Prior to that she worked and retired from the High Museum of Art in Atlanta. Music and Art always filled her home. A very Sharp Wit was her personality. And honesty that could be hard to hear sometimes, but if asked she'd tell you what was on her mind and in her heart. Always up for a conversation on sports, even though she really didn't know much about them. She'd tell you if she liked a player or not and why. Her favorite team until her death was the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame. And she loved Michael Jordan, would argue with her grandson on why she didn't like Labron James. LAUGHTER was a huge part of who she was. At family gatherings, she'd be in the spotlight with her opinions. Compassionate

and generous with her time. She was very active physically and had a Desire to Live Life to it's fullest. A true beautiful and stylish woman in all her years of life.

Service entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory;  
Lawrenceville, 770.338.5558

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Gwinnett Chapel  
914 Scenic Hwy  
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May you draw comfort from God as he help you to cope with the heavyweight of your loss. Thinking of you all.

Evans family - October 11, 2021 at 06:11 PM



“ I will always cherish the memories I had with my great Aunt. She bought me my first two-piece suit when I first became a principal (after she saw what was in my closet). She was so encouraging and always - even as a little girl - made me feel special. When she would visit, I would clean for her visit. However, no matter how much I cleaned, she would always break out with bleach and ammonia. Aunt Vestine taught me so much and was such a presence in every milestone of my life. I will miss her but am so glad that she is at peace. May she Rest In Paradise until we meet again on the other side.

Tisha Durrah - October 09, 2021 at 09:49 AM

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She was my Wife's aunt but she was more like nine I would be in the kitchen cooking she would come in and tell me what she didn't like and what she did and we will meet somewhere in the middle and we had a great time together I'm going to miss you

Will Durrah - October 09, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Vestine Null.*



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October 08, 2021 at 12:22 AM



“ *Dear Nina, Jaleesa, and Jordon, We are holding you all in our hearts and lifting you up in prayer. May all of your happy memories give you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Tina was such a "fireball" and full of energy. We lived in the same area, and I would always see her walking to various places. Many times, I offered her a ride home, and most times she said she preferred to walk to "keep things moving". Her laugh and smile were contagious, and she was always happy to stop and chat whenever we met. While she will be greatly missed, know that her spirit lives on in each of you, along with the love you all shared. May her soul rest in God's eternal peace. The Purcell Family*



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**Vickie Sparico-Purcell** - October 05, 2021 at 04:04 PM



“ *While it is painful to say goodbye on this side Nina, there's a host of witnesses to welcome your mom to eternal rest. Your forever angel is with you always. A life well loved and loved by many.*  
*Love,*  
*Robin & Joe*



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**Robin Cleveland** - October 05, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Mary Vestine Null.*



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October 05, 2021 at 12:39 PM



“ *Mama  
I'm going to miss you...already do. Hopeful you and ALL our family are watching. Tell them I miss them too. But I'm happy your at Peace. Get some rest (you always told me to do that)  
Love  
Nina*

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**Nina Jackson** - October 04, 2021 at 10:13 PM



*Ms. Null, this is Sweet Nancy, a nickname I will always remember you by. You've lived a beautiful n faithful life unto God. Rest well & I pray I see you again. Brown n family, you were blessed with a great Mother & Grandmother. We're praying for peace, comfort & love that only God can give you. Be blessed be encouraged! Love y'all! 😊*

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**Bernie & Nancy Johnson** - October 06, 2021 at 08:51 AM