



PROVERBS 31:10-22, 24-27, 29 NIV

*... She is worth far more than rubies...
She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.
She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar.
She gets up while it is still night;
she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants.
She considers a field and buys it;
out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.
She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.
She sees that her trading is profitable,
and her lamp does not go out at night.
In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers.
She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy...
She is clothed with strength and dignity;
she can laugh at the days to come.
She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.
She watches over the affairs of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
“Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.”*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Our family wishes to extend its profound and sincere gratitude for the outpouring of love, support, and prayers during this difficult time. Through our cherished memories, Juanita will live on in our hearts forever. May we continue to celebrate her life by living freely and with gratitude every single day that we have the ability to take a breath.

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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Juanita Gilbert

SUNRISE: FEBRUARY 23, 1931 - SUNSET: JUNE 28, 2022



Funeral Service

FRIDAY JULY 15, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.

CHURCH OF THE MASTER

81 MORNINGSIDE AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10027

REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE, *Officiating
Interim Pastor*

Interment

FAIR LAWN MEMORIAL CEMETERY
FAIRLAWN, NEW JERSEY



Order of Service

MUSIC PRELUDE..... BASIL MORGAN - GUEST MUSICIAN

PROCESSIONAL..... FAMILY AND CLERGY

OPENING HYMN..... "AMAZING GRACE" - #271, AAHH

WELCOME..... REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE

INVOCATION & PRAYER OF COMFORT..... REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE

SCRIPTURE READINGS
 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:..... PSALM 23 - MICHAEL ANGLIN
 NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:..... JOHN 11: 25-27 - FLOSSINE WILSON

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS..... ELDER SIBYL RANDOLPH - CLERK OF SESSION

PROCLAMATION – DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY..... SOROR MARY REILY
 CHURCH OF THE MASTER

MUSICAL SELECTION..... ELDER DWAYNE GRAYMAN

TRIBUTES..... DOLORES BRADLEY
 ANITA VINSO
 MICHAEL MILES
 GLORIA BOONE

OBITUARY..... READ SILENTLY

MUSICAL SELECTION..... ELDER DWAYNE GRAYMAN

EULOGY..... REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE

COMMENDATION..... REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE

BENEDICTION..... REVEREND EUGENE R. PALMORE

RECESSIONAL..... "WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN" - #394, AAHH

Obituary

On Tuesday, June 28, 2022, **JUANITA GILBERT** transitioned to heaven at 91 years young. She was born February 23, 1931, in Macon, Georgia to Hershel and Laurena (née Sipp) Gilbert. She was one of eight children.

Juanita was a 1949 graduate of Ballard High School in Macon, GA. For a time, she attended Grady Nursing School in Atlanta, Georgia before deciding that she wanted to become a physical education teacher. Ultimately, Juanita graduated with a bachelor's degree from Tennessee State University. After graduating from TSU, Juanita taught briefly in Alabama. She moved to New York City to pursue a master's degree from New York University. After graduation, Juanita briefly taught school in Passaic, New Jersey before transferring to the New York City school system, where she had a long and fruitful career and became a dean of girls. She also took advantage of an opportunity and expanded her career with a temporary teaching assignment in St. Croix, Virgin Island. She was an educator extraordinaire, loved by students and peers alike.

A woman of strong faith, Juanita subsequently joined Church of the Master. Juanita worked tirelessly for the church serving as a deacon and a trustee. She was also a member of the church's Silver Strand Dance ministry. Known for her cooking skills, she would often be found lending a hand in the kitchen or wherever she saw a need.

Juanita was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters - Ruby Turner and Mattie Miles; her brothers - Ned Gilbert, Hershel Gilbert (Jun), Milton Gilbert (Bruh), James Gilbert, and Calvin Gilbert. plus Connie Miller; and one nephew Milton Turner. She leaves to cherish her memory a sister-in-law - Eva Mae Gilbert; 10 nieces and nephews, Steve Miles, Mike Miles, Patricia Higgins, Calvin Gilbert, Larry Gilbert, Ronnie Gilbert, Kim Booker, Anthony Gilbert, Calvin Gilbert, Jr., and Carolyn Gilbert plus Andrea Miller; devoted friends - Gloria Boone and Arlene Miller; her goddaughter- Anita Vinson; and a host of other relatives and friends too numerous to name.