



The journey and life of Missionary Lillie Pearl (McIntyre) Kelley, age 89, began on June 22nd, 1930 in Cairo, GA and ended on August 21st, 2019 in Clinton Township, MI. She was born to the late Lenzy and Ethel (Sloan) McIntyre (Gurley). Lillie Pearl grew up on a family farm in Reno, GA. And was Educated in the Grady County school system. She worked as a server in a Reno ice cream shop on weekends and as a store clerk.

Lillie Pearl married the late Hayward Kelly who died in 1965 and they raised six children together, five of them born to their union. In 1957 as a mother of six, she and her children moved to Miami, FL.

Lillie Pearl Kelley gave her life to the Lord in 1957 and joined The Church of God Tabernacle (True Holiness) under Pastor Mamie E. Richardson. She was a devoted Missionary, Usher, Big Sister and mentor for many years. Sister Pearl, as she was called by many church members, *loved the Lord*. She remained a true and faithful servant of

the Lord and a church member throughout her life, many of those years under the leadership of Bishop Walter H. Richardson Pastor.

Sister Pearl loved to cook and bake; especially her sweet potato pies. Friendship and Seven-up cakes. She enjoyed dinners with her family, church members and friends. Always smiling and pleasant to be around, it was a joy to be in her company. In 1986 Sister Pearl retired from Miami's Jackson Memorial Hospital Environmental Department Cleaning Service. Due to declining health issues, she lived with daughters Judy Wright and Hazel Kelly until her move to New Haven, MI in November 2014 to live with her son, Charles Kelly. A few years later the Clinton-Aire Healthcare Center became her permanent her residence.

Lillie P. Kelley leaves cherished memories for her children: Willie Irvin Jr. (Betty), Climax GA; Rose M. Nixon (Ivey, Jr.), Cincinnati, OH; Hazel M. Kelly, Miami FL; Charles H. Kelly (Angela), New Haven, MI; and Judy Kelly-Wright (Horace), Miami FL. Siblings: Willie McIntyre (twin), James (Helen) McIntyre, Willie Mae (Ellis) Cox, and Paul Gurley.

She is preceded in death by her son Hayward Kelly Jr. Surviving spouse Grace), Whigham, GA. Siblings: Lenzy McIntyre, Jr. (twin), Oscar Carter, Ethel L Herring, Nellie L. Webb, Doris Crump and Jimmie L Gurley, Sr.

She leaves behind twenty-two grandchildren, forty great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren and host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. A very caring person, Lillie Pearl Kelley will be passionately missed, never forgotten.

A Funeral Service will be held on September 7th, 2019 at 12 p.m., United Memorial Funeral Home, 75 Dickinson St Mount Clemens, MI 48043. Family hour is at 11 a.m.

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