



Mrs. Virgilene LaVette Fuqua

April 25, 1949 - May 4, 2023

Obituary

Born Virgilene LaVette Bass this Gracious Lady made her grand entrance into the world on April 25, 1949, in Kansas City, Missouri. She was the third child born to the union of father, Carmie Bass and mother, Anna Nadine Bass. Virgilene attended Manuel Elementary School ultimately graduating from Central Senior High School as part of the 1967 class. A kind and genteel person it is without a doubt that Virgie made many friends during her formative years as she continued to make many friends throughout her life.

At age 15, she began her Sunday School teaching mission at her family church, Griddine Temple. She also taught Sunday School at other K.C. churches such as Deliverance Temple C.O.G.I.C, New Life in Christ as well as churches in Georgia. Be it was through plays, songs, games or crafts Sister Virgie passionately shared the teachings of Christ with the youth.

As part of her ministry, she drove the church van for Lakeside C.O.G.I.C. which many of those reading is sure to have fond, fun and funny memories of.

Those who knew Sister Virgie were sure to be prayed for and even find themselves praying. Her prayer life was her whole life!

A burst of energy, a ray of sunshine, Virgilene was a wonderfully creative

woman who put her mind to making many unique creations ranging from MC Hammer pants to an entire living room couch (ask Candie)! She lived out her days doing the things she loved best which were traveling throughout North America with the love of her life, Fred E. Fuqua, whom she joined in Holy Matrimony on April 1, 2000. Virgilene had many interests and hobbies. She enjoyed growing gardens of food and flowers, hosting tea parties, excitedly learning Hebrew, sewing, quilting and spending time with her extensive family and multitude of friends.

On Thursday, May 4, 2023, Virgilene was gone on to glory. She was preceded by both parents as well as her siblings DeHavilland Arnold, Rhoda Walker and Merle Walker.

Virgilene is lovingly remembered by her husband Fred E. Fuqua; Siblings: Lester Bass (Sharon); Millus "Doc" Bass; Samuel Bass (Debbie) and Karieta Walker; Andrea Bass-Smith; Agrafina Bass-Williams; Children: Candace El (Basim), Shannon Bass (Tiffany), James Charleston 2nd; Wilbur L. Smith 3rd (LaKeisha); DaMiYahn Smith (Dominga); Casey Smith; LaTasha Fuqua; Fred E. Fuqua 3rd; Christopher Fuqua; Marcus Fuqua; Matthew Fuqua; Sisters-in-law Beverly Fuqua; Lori Fuqua; brother-in-law, Ronald Fuqua; 21 Grandchildren; 4 Great-grandchildren as well as a host of much loved nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Fierce in faith, powerful in prayer, selfless in servitude Virgilene LaVette names which mean "Flourishing" and 'Purified', we watched her flourish as the Lord purified her for such a time as this.

Funeral services will be held Friday, May 12, 2023, 1:00pm at Linwood United Church. Private Disposition. Visitation will be from 12:00pm-1:00pm at the church. Service conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel. Condolences may be shared on our website.

To send flowers
to the family or plant a tree
in memory of Mrs. Virgilene LaVette Fuqua, please visit our floral store.

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AF

“ A Memorial Tree was planted for Mrs. Virgilene LaVette Fuqua
We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Lawrence A. Jones
& Sons Funeral Chapels-Missouri - Lawrence A. Jones & Sons
Funeral Chapels
Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

A Memorial Tree was planted for Mrs. Virgilene LaVette Fuqua - May 25, 2023 at 10:43 AM

TC

“ Beautiful in blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virgilene
LaVette Fuqua by The Council . Send FlowersOur hearts go out for
the loss of Aunt Vergie. Her smile & wink brightened our days at the
IRS. Flowers cant ease the pain, but symbolize our love. We
cherish her joyful spirit and are here for you.The Council

The Council - May 25, 2023 at 10:43 AM



“ Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virgilene
LaVette Fuqua. Send FlowersWe are sorry for the loss of your mom
and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. On behalf of Genie
Kastrup, Efrain Elias, Charles Bridgemon and SEIU Local 1 Officers
& Staff

May 25, 2023 at 10:43 AM

LM

“ Well PRAISE THE LORD Saint's, GOD has called another faithful Servant, a true Soldier of the LORD on home to FOREVER GLORY. I am Sis. Lora Matthews from Lakeside Cogic and that is where I had the honor of meeting my dear Sister in CHRIST. To say she was unique and one of a kind would be an understatement. Her presence always set & changed the atmosphere with of all first her beautiful attire(outfit, hair, hat, purse's & most definitely high heels) 😊, her lively bubbly personality and attitude, but most of all her Worship & Praise for GOD was REAL. One song that was her testimony and I LOVEEEEEED to hear her sing was , "I've Got a River of Life" which explained this special WOG !!! May GODS blessings, love, comfort and unexplainable Peace rest and abide with you Bro. Fred, her Children/Grand Children and entire family, friends. You will be in my prayers in these days to come. I personally know from this experience of losing my dear Mother that Mother's Day's can be a little hard especially this Sunday coming up will be your first without her but know and take comfort in this that the Joy of the LORD was both our dear Mother's STRENGTH. That same STRENGTH will also get you through Sunday and all the days, year's, events to come.

Prayerfully submitted,

Bro. Kenny & Sis. Lora Matthews from Lakeside



Lora D. Matthews - May 12, 2023 at 02:49 PM

DJ

“ My sincere condolences to Nr. Fred Fuqua, and the entire Bass family. One of my fondest memories was her grand birthday party where many of us wore yellow. Virgie wad super friendly to myself and the Jones sisters. The fragrance that her presence would fill the room. A light that could not be hidden. Sleep my dear in the arms of your Father, Jesus Christ. Sorrowfully submitted, Doris J. Jones-Sandefur

Doris J Jones-Sandefur - May 12, 2023 at 02:21 PM

CC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I met Mrs. Fuqua at St. Monica when she joined us for an event along with her husband Fred. She was a remarkable person. I will truly miss seeing and talking with her. God has gotten an extraordinary person in his house. My prayers are with the family.

Carolyn Childs-Gruber - May 12, 2023 at 10:20 AM

TD

“ Mrs. Virgie will always be remembered by our family as a living mother, talented seamstress, lover of God, and an extraordinary tea party host. She was the sweetest! Please accept our sincerest condolences from the Dickerson Family. Thank you Linnette and Tyler for sharing her with us. Tameka G. Dickerson

T. Dickerson - May 11, 2023 at 08:52 PM

SB

“ To the most Beautiful Mother in the World You have Taught me how to love , to honor and respect , you taught me how to be a go getter a person that has determination For that my Mother is the greatest She's a Prayer Warrior an always kept us in Prayer I'll forever Love you Mom

Shannon Bass - May 11, 2023 at 06:57 PM

JC

“*Virgie was a dear friend from more than 63 years back. We attended her family church (Griddine) where at one time my dad was assistant pastor. We attended Central High school Freshman and Sophomore years together. Our families were very close then and we remain good friends to this day. Virgie and I were planning a trip to Africa this August... a first for both of us! She lived a full and eventful life. Her heart was always to minister the Love of God to any and every one. She loved her family and it showed in the loving closeness they shared. One of the most creative people I know, she leaves many reminders in her foot prints as proof that she lived, impacted the earth, and now has gone on to glory! Never to be forgotten, my friend always!*

Judy Clark-Harris

Judy Clark - May 11, 2023 at 06:21 PM

BB

“*Praying for the Family! May God Bless and Keep You!!!*

Brenda Bass - May 11, 2023 at 02:50 PM

EW

“*My prayers and condolences to her family. I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Earnestine Ward - May 10, 2023 at 05:21 PM