



Drunette Gray Collins

March 6, 1939 - March 23, 2013

Drunette (Drue) Gray Collins was born on March 6, 1939 in Eastville, Virginia. She was transferred to eternal life on March 23, 2013 at her home in Columbia, SC. She was the daughter of the late Richard and Ruth Smith.

Drue, as she was affectionately known, was educated during her childhood and formative years in the public schools of Eastville, VA. She later attended Kittrel College. Drue also attended Bethel A.M.E., Eastville, VA., Where her mother's melodious voice was heard singing on the church's choir.

Drue was married for fifty-six years to her teenage sweetheart, Charles Lee Collins. They immediately, after marriage, relocated to Long Island, New York where they spent their adult years (they never had a major disagreement). To their union they were blessed with a son, Charles (Chucky) Efron Collins, who preceded her in death.

Drue was a committed Horticulturist. This was exemplified and demonstrated through her dedication to working in the yard planting flowers and inspiring others to become involved in neighborhood cleanups. She also enjoyed cooking and cleaning.

Drue's faith, thirst to learn God's word, and to grow in knowledge is evidenced in her avid bible reading. Daily, she spent time with God reading her Holy

Bible.

Drue will be missed and cherished by those she loved and those who loved her and mourn her death. They are her husband Charles Lee Collins, sister, Florence Collins, two special friends, Karen Johnson and her beautician Earnestine Duncan, a myriad of nieces, nephews, relatives and neighbors.

Tribute Wall



“ *Drunette Gray Collins*

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