



Joan Kilgore Murray

February 28, 1937 - October 23, 2019

Joanne Kilgore Murray was born February 28, 1937 in Duncan, South Carolina. Her parents were the late Robert Martin and Bessie Mae Kilgore. She attended the Rock Hill Elementary and High School in Duncan. She was baptized at the Moores Chapel Baptist Church in Duncan. Joanne married Ernest Robert Murray on May 5, 1954 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They lived in the Hazelwood area of Pittsburgh.

She joined St. John The Evangelist Church. The late Reverend Charles E. Wright was the pastor. She served as the Dining Room Chairperson for many years. She was awarded a certificate for over 50 years of membership at St. John's 100th Church Anniversary celebration on September 9, 2009. Joanne was devoted to God and was a devoted member of St. John. Her favorite Bible verse was Psalm 150. Her favorite song was "What A Friend We Have In Jesus".

Joanne began her employment at the H.J. Heinz Co. in the spring of 1963 in the Pickle Factory as a factory worker. She was later promoted to Quality Control Lab Representative. She retired in the fall of 1998 due to her illness after 34 years of service.

Joanne was a fashionista. She was always in style. She was a treasured spouse, mother and a lifelong Dallas Cowboys fan. Her hobby was creating crocheted designs. She was a member of the Classic 9 Club when it was active.

She was preceded in death by her two sisters Doris (Rasool) Akram and Mary

Alice (Howard) Cohen. God saw the road was getting rough and the hill was hard to climb. He gently closed Joanne's eyes on Wednesday, October 23, 2019. God whispered "Peace be thine." She was at the Canterbury Place in Lawrence, PA.

Joanne leaves to cherish her memories her beloved husband, Ernest R. Murray; two loving daughters, Sandra L. Murray and Minister Diane L. Murray; one step-daughter, Catherine (Harry) Haywood; four grandsons; Jayle T. Murray, Kristopher A. Hollis, Lance Jr. and Dion Williams; one great granddaughter, Tyrae M. Murray; ten great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren on the Williams' side of the family; one sister, Janie Ruth Moore of South Carolina; one sister-in-law, Louise (Howard) Murray, two godchildren; Willie Bennett, Jr. and Kenyatta Shelton Burleigh; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and her St. John The Evangelist Baptist Church family.

Cemetery Details

Homewood Cemetery

1599 S.Dallas
Pittsburgh, PA 15217

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St John The Evangelist Baptist Church
4537 Chatsworth Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15207

Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Interment

NOV 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Kilgore Murray*

January 29, 2023 at 12:45 PM



“ *Joan Kilgore Murray*

January 29, 2023 at 10:10 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Kilgore Murray.*



October 30, 2019 at 01:03 PM



“ *Remembering my dear and loving aunt with so much love. We loved her so much here in South Carolina always excited to see her when she would come to visit. She was my mothers last sister. Rest in peace aunt joe we will miss you* ❤️🙏❤️

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