

OBITUARY

Emma Postwaite Lester was born August 10, 1955, in Rochester, New York to the late William and Carrie B. Postwaite. Emma was the fifth of eight children born to the marriage. She attended West High and later obtained her GED. Emma was a kind, loving person, always willing to help others. Emma was married to the late Robert Lester. Emma was the mother of two young men, Nathaniel Postwaite and Gerard Postwaite. She loved her sons and wanted the best for them. Emma loved and believed in God although she did not regularly attend church services, however it was obvious that the LORD dwelt in her heart. She sought to do the good works God requires of us all.

Emma spent most of her career as a health care provider. She served the sick and elderly in private duty assignments and provided care to those who were sick and shut-in. Her patients loved her, and some adopted her as a member of their family. Emma was a fun-loving person who loved to shop and had a great appreciation for artwork. She had a massive collection of dolls, figurines, stuffed animals and pictures. In her last apartment complex, she went around the building providing care and encouragement to those in need. She was a natural at spreading goodwill and kindness. She was active in planning cookouts, garage sales, games, and other social events as a member of her community.

Emma is predeceased by her parents William and Carrie Postwaite, and two brothers, Lewis Postwaite, David Postwaite (Betty). Her childhood friend of 62 years, Debbie Johnson was with her when she took her last breath. Emma will be sorely missed by her siblings Odessa Dixon, William Postwaite, Jr., Nancy Postwaite-Zanders (Sam), Amos Postwaite (Diana), Calvin Sanders, Sarah Hill, MacAuthor Smith, Hanson Postwaite, Elizabeth Postwaite, and James Postwaite. She leaves behind a granddaughter, Taliah Postwaite, and many nieces and nephews: David Postwaite Jr., Joseph Postwaite, Shawn Postwaite, Azziza Postwaite, Ebony Postwaite, Elisea Postwaite, Delisha Hill, Emily Mitchell, Tammara Zanders-Jackson (Dametrius), Niqua Ponder, Antwanita Miles, Ameshia Williams (Carl), Shenise Postwaite, and a host of relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Officiating Deacon Sam Zanders

Opening Prayer.....
Elder Constance Henton

Old Testament Scripture.....Ecclesiastes 3
Deacon Sam Zanders

New Testament Scripture..... John 14:1-7

Song.....

Acknowledgement of Condolences.....
Deaconess Nancy Postwaite Zanders

Remarks

Family Expressions.....

Song.....

Eulogy.....Elder Constance Henton

Closing Prayer.....Elder Constance Henton

Psalm 34:4 I sought the Lord and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears...6. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. 7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

STILL I RISE

You may write me down in history
With your bitter, twisted lies,
You may trod me in the very dirt
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?
Why are you beset with gloom?
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I'll rise.

The family expresses sincere gratitude to family and friends for your kindness and expressions of love during this time of grief. It has meant so much to know that so many people care. May God bless and keep you all.

Arrangements by:
Metropolitan Funeral Chapel
109 West Avenue,
Rochester, NY 14611



Emma Postwaite Lester

Homegoing Ceremony

Sunrise: August 10, 1955

Sunset: October 16, 2021

Thursday, October 21, 2021

Viewing: 10-11:00 a.m.

Service 11:00 a.m.

