Memorial Celebration of Life for Our Beloved

Sunrise
September 25, 1950

Sunset
November 20, 2021



"Solo"

LARRY GILLIS

Memories

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when this life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun. Of happy memories that I leave when this life is done.

Memorial Life Celebration

Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.

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Bruce J. Gillis, Officiating Minister

Life Reflection of Larry "Solo" Gillis

Larry Gillis was born on September 25, 1950, to the late Bobby Williams and Virgie Williams. He was the eldest of his seven siblings.

Larry was raised in North Philadelphia, and he was educated in the Philadelphia public school system. Larry attended McIntyre Elementary School and he graduated from Simon Gratz High School. Larry was raised in a Christian household, but he often spent more time with his friends in the neighborhood who were from the village.

Larry was affectionately known to his friends as "Solo." Larry enjoyed cooking, and he was known to make the best biscuits. Larry was also known as a great leader and many of his friends enjoyed being in his presence. Larry had a love for dogs. Especially, his dog named "Pepsi" and he loved Pepsi". "Pepsi" was very protective and she did not allow anyone to get too close to him.

In 1966, Larry and Evelyn met and they dated for a couple of years. On February 25, 1968, Larry was united in Holy Matrimony with Evelyn Green. To this union they were blessed with two daughters, Tina and Kenya Gillis.

In addition to his parents, his sons: Larry "Boo" Fife and Kenyatta both preceded him in death.

On November 20, 2021, Larry received his wings and was called home to be with the Lord.

Larry leaves to mourn, his children: Shahied Thompson, Yenda Thompson, Wadeeah Thompson, Sheena Thompson, and Brite Alexander; his brothers: Bruce Gillis, Royal Williams, Duane Williams, Andre Williams, and Greg Williams; his sisters: Virginia Williams, and Patricia Williams, his niece, Kiyyah; eleven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Lovingly & Prayerfully Submitted,
The Family



Psalm 24 (KJV)

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. 2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods. 3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.

(To My Family)

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not here to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me
I wish you wouldn't cry
The way you did today
While thinking of the many things
We did not get to say

I know how much you loved me
As much as I loved you
Each time that you think of me
I know you will miss me too
When tomorrow starts with out me
Please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name
And took me by the hand

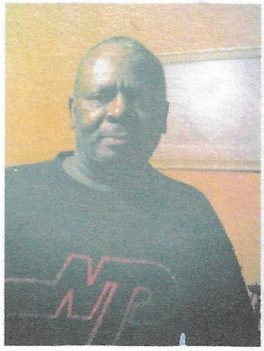
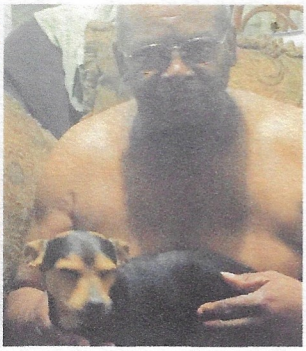
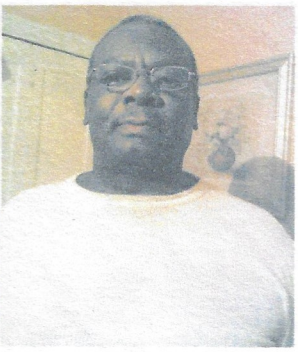
The angel said my place was ready
In heaven far above
And that I would have to leave behind
All those I Dearly Love
But when I walked through Heaven's Gates
I felt so much at home
When GOD looked down and smiled at me
From his mighty golden throne

He said: "This Is Eternity
And all I promised you
Today for life on earth is done
But here it starts a new
I promise no tomorrow
For today will always last
And since each day's the exact same way
There is no longing for the past"

So when tomorrow starts without me
Do not think we're apart
For every time you think of me
Remember I'm right there in your heart!

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LARRY GILLIS

Larry "Solo" Gillis
A Few Precious Memories
1950 - 2021





His Life a beautiful memory
His absence, a silent grief,
His soul lives in God's beautiful garden
In the sunshine of perfect peace








Order of Service

Musical Prelude ~ "Something About The Name Jesus"; by Kirk Franklin

Processional ~ Minister & Family

Hymn of Comfort ~ "His Eyes Is on the Sparrow"

Scripture Readings ~ Bruce J. Gillis
Old Testament ~ Psalm 23,
New Testament ~ John 14: 1-7

Prayer of Comfort ~ Bruce J. Gillis

Solo / Selection ~ "Precious Lord Take My Hand"; Virginia Williams

Tributes & Remarks ~ (2 Min. Limit Respectfully)

Acknowledgement of Cards & Resolutions ~ Brite Alexander

Life Reflection Reading (Obituary) ~ Ms. Judith Jackson

Solo / Selection ~ "The Storm Is Over Now"; by Kirk Franklin

Message of Hope (Eulogy) ~ Bruce J. Gillis

Benediction

Recessional

INTERMENT

Private

REPAST

To Be Determined

A Letter From Heaven

I'm writing this from Heaven; Here I shall dwell with God above, Here, there's no more tears of sadness. There is just eternal love. When you're walking down the street, And you've got me on your mind, I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind. And when you feel that gentle breeze, Or the wind upon your face, That's me giving you a great big hug, Or just a soft embrace. And when it's time for you to go . . From that body to be free, Remember you're not going . . You're just coming here to me.

Author Unknown

Psalm 103: 2-5 (NIV)

2 Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits— 3 who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, 4 who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, 5 who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Honorary Pall Bearers

Bruce Gillis, Royal Williams,
Duane Williams,
Andre Williams, Greg Williams

Floral Bearers

Family & Friends

Psalm 23 (KJV)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

John 14: 1-7 (KJV)

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. 4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. 5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? 6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

A Note of Thanks & Appreciation

The family of the late Larry "Solo" Gillis wish to express our deepest gratitude to everyone for your prayers, kindness, love, and comforting words. May God bless you all in His loving grace and care.

We Sincerely Thank You.

The Family

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