



Geniver Hines

February 19, 1928 - March 27, 2017

I'm the oldest descendent of Annie and Lovick Terrell Jr. I was born February 19, 1928 in a small town called Isola, Mississippi. My earliest childhood memory centers on the birth of my brother Oscar in 1932. I suppose the reason it was so memorable had to do with me thinking Oscars legs were too long for his body. My formal education began when I was six and attended the Kale School about a half-mile from our farm. As a farm kid I was assigned my share of chores such as helping around the kitchen and harvesting the cotton crop during the summer. At the age of 19, I married David Hines and together we rented a five-acre farm and began farming. After working the land for two years we decided that farming was not for us. Like many others of the time David and I decided to leave farming and migrate north. In preparation for the move David and my brother Jimmie left first to secure a place in Chicago. Not long afterwards I took my first bus trip. Initially we lived in a one-bedroom apartment on Leavitt Street. The first job I got was a presser in a cleaners. David found work as a painter. Never being afraid of long hours and hard work we went about establishing our place in our new surroundings. Along the way after working a number of different jobs David and I bought a cleaners and named it the Hines Cleaners. The Hines Cleaners was a full service operation. I worked the counter and taught myself to do alterations and repairs. David was the outside man carrying out the pickup and delivery services we offered. Hines Cleaners was a booming business for many years. Over time several family members would work there. A few who did were Julius, Lenon, Lovie,

Jean, Frankie, Myrtle, Canary Smith, Leola Smiley and Minnie Thomas. It wasn't until coming to Chicago that David and I began having our family. Our children are David Jr. (deceased), Larry, (deceased), Frankie, Lynette (deceased), Vanessa and Janice. When my children were school age I helped organize a group called the United Concerned Parents to patrol the neighborhood as the kids walked back-and-forth to school. Groups like this were important then and still exist today. In the past I enjoyed cooking and having my family over for big meals. It gave me great joy to see my brothers and sisters sit and eat my fried chicken, greens, cornbread and sweet potato pie. My granddaughter Sherice now replaces me as the family cook. Her specialties are broiled salmon and chicken fried rice. Today I live comfortably in her home with her husband Raymond and their two-year-old twins Michael and Michelle. As a Jehovah's Witness, I was a pioneer for many years leaving only in 2003 due to my health. Today I still go to my meetings when my health permits. When I am unable to go, they provide a way for me to listen on the telephone, which is almost like being there.

Cemetery Details

Mount Hope Cemetery

11500 South Fairfield
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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