



Annie R. Price

June 15, 1941 - January 31, 2024

A Time to Be Born - Annie R. Price, the daughter of the late Hillard Melton and Mary Hooks Johnson, was born on June 15, 1941, and raised in Shorter, Alabama. She peacefully passed away at her residence on January 31, 2024.

A Time to Worship - Annie had devoted herself to God publicly and privately, adorning her home with Bible scriptures. Her divine calling was to embody "the hands and feet of Jesus Christ" for those in need. Initially serving as an usher at Christian Tabernacle Baptist Church in Hamden, CT, she later joined Living Word (Vertical) in West Haven, CT. Annie consistently greeted attendees during the fellowship hour after Sunday services and actively participated in the tract witnessing ministry. She faithfully delivered tracts door-to-door every week until her health declined. Annie remained a dedicated member until her death.

A Time for Work - Annie worked several jobs before finding her favorite employment with Saint Raphael's Hospital. She worked her way up from a pediatric aide to a unit clerk in the emergency room before retiring in 2004 after 37 years. Annie was crafty with her hands; she loved to garden, sew, crochet, and make floral arrangements.

A Time for Family - In 1961, Annie arrived in New Haven, CT, establishing it as her residence. The following year, Annie married Gerard Franklin, her ex-

husband, and they welcomed two daughters during their union. Later, Annie entered into matrimony with Maurice Price, and this marriage endured until his passing in 2002. She is survived by her cherished daughters, Dell Williams and her husband, Arthur Williams (New Haven, CT), and Shawn Buskey and her husband, Frank Buskey (East Haven, CT). Annie leaves behind five grandchildren: Antuan Garrett (Atlanta, GA), Arthur Williams Jr. (New Haven, CT), Paris Buskey (Louisa, VA), Leslie Williams (New Haven, CT), Natasha Mbiya and her husband, Francis Mbiya (Broadway, VA), along with seven great-grandchildren. Her brothers include Dave Melton and his wife Marriane Melton (Jackson, MS), Jerry and Willie Melton, and Frederick Hooks, all from Montgomery, AL. She is also survived by sister-in-law Laura Melton (Deatsville, AL) and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives. Irene Johnson and Francis Belton were two dear friends who occupied a special place in her heart. Annie's husband, parents, brothers Hilliard Jr. and Nathaniel Melton, and sister Mary Lee Smith preceded her in death.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd
New Haven, CT 06519
(203) 624-5505

Previous Events

Calling Hour

FEB 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Vertical Church
225 Meloy Rd
West Haven, CT 06516-3035
(203) 934-9673

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

RA

“ *Ray lit a candle in memory of Annie Price*



Ray - August 20, 2025 at 03:12 PM

RH

“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of your mom Shawn and Sabrina. Our prayers are with you and your family. May God grant you peace as you remember your mom with beautiful memories ❤️ Love y'all Mike& Ruby 🙏*

Ruby Harper - March 11, 2024 at 01:59 PM

LP

“ *To the Price family, my prayers are with you. I send my deepest condolences to you all.*

Love Lucille

Lucille Patterson - February 22, 2024 at 09:00 AM



“ To the Price Family we send our sincere sympathy to you on behalf of Julia Ann Langford Boyd. Your mom Annie and family grew up together in shorter. We are all saddened by you loss, she was always nice to us may she rest peacefully and we'll keep the family in our Prayers.

Julia, Clint, Curtis, Kathey & Reggie Boyd



Kathey Boyd - February 12, 2024 at 11:06 AM

LI

“ Sabrina and Shawn I am so sad to hear about Aunt Annie passing. I know this is such a difficult time for the family. I pray that the Lord heals your broken hearts. Remember Aunt Annie is smiling in Heaven. Love Lisa! 🙏🙏🙏

Lisa - February 09, 2024 at 05:01 PM

JS

“ Juanita Scott lit a candle in memory of Annie Price



Juanita Scott - February 08, 2024 at 04:49 PM

DL

“ Condolences to the Price family I worked with Annie at St Raphael she was a very nice person with a remarkable personality she gave me a book of bible verses that I have and still read rest In Peace Miss Annie



Deloris Linen - February 07, 2024 at 09:17 PM

CK

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your mother Shawn. We are sending lots love and prayers to you and your family. Love Carmel Keaveney.

Carmel Keaveney - February 07, 2024 at 08:55 AM

CO

“ Sean,

I was saddened to hear about the passing of your mother Annie. I know how important she was to you. Please accept my sincere condolences.

*Those who touch our lives, stay in our hearts forever.
You will forever be in my prayers.*

Constance & Ariana

Constance - February 06, 2024 at 09:37 PM