



Madame Doris Jean Gales

December 29, 1939 - January 10, 2024

DORIS JEAN GALES was born on December 29, 1939, in Boykins, Virginia to Lazarus Henry Futrell and Fannie Mae Futrell predeceased. She was the middle child of five children. She took her flight on the wings of the morning of January 10, 2024, and sailed through the Heavens to answer the voice of her Heavenly Father whom she adored and worshipped. "Blessed are the dead which die in the LORD from henceforth... that they may rest from their labours: and their works do follow them." (Revelations 14:13)

Madame Gales was educated at Rufner Middle School and graduated from Booker T. Washington High School. She began her Christian journey at a young age and received salvation after hearing the words "For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23). She was given talents and the gift of singing with a voice that reached methodical musical notes into the Heavens, with her favorite songs "How Great Thou Art" and "Precious Lord". She sung with the Family Group, The Curtis Gospel Singers. Madame Gales served faithfully in church always being mindful and compassionate of others at Ebenezer Church of God in Christ under Pastor D. Harvey Dunlap. She also served as a Missionary in the Chesapeake and Berkley Districts in the 2nd Jurisdiction Church of God in Christ. And was later called to the office of Prophetess in the Good Shepherd International Miracle Center under Chief Apostle Howard L. Gales Sr.

A love story began when she was introduced thousands of miles away to a Coast Guardsman, Howard Larue Gales. They would often write beautiful love letters to each other as they awaited the day they would be united in marriage as one. "Hello, Doris, I miss you. Did you get the ring?" Your Sweetheart, Larue. The wait was over when they were joined in Holy Matrimony on August 17, 1963, in Ketchikan, Alaska. From that moment Madame Doris Gales would dedicate her life to being a faithful military wife and homemaker. Their love story and marriage would continue and blossom for 60 years. And to their union would be four beautiful children Tanya, Tarena, Stephanie, and Howard Jr.

Her husband Minister Howard Gales Sr. then would become Elder Howard Gales Sr. and he began pastoring in California. Madame Gales was licensed as a missionary and carried out the duties of her calling as a First Lady. She would work with her hands by cleaning the church and teaching Sunday School. She had grown fond of crafts and had mastered crocheting by creating blankets, ponchos, hats, scarves, etc. Her hands were blessed and anointed. She would prepare meals with the taste of flavors that touched the soul for the church members. She cooked with passion and the love of God. She frequently had Friday Night Bible study with her children at home teaching them about holiness while her husband was performing military duties at the Lighthouse on Angel Island, CA.

Madame Gales never stopped serving even until her passing. She was an extraordinary Woman of God, Prayer Warrior, and Woman of Great Faith. She continued teaching men, women, boys,

and girls everywhere about Jesus, holy living, and righteousness. Serving in various capacities such as the First Lady of Good Shepherd Church of God in Christ, 1979, which was later changed to Good Shepherd International Miracle Center and as President of the Mother's Board and Prayer & Bible Band. She

took to heart and displayed (Romans 12:1 – “I beseech brethren by mercies of God that ye present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service”). She always greeted the saints in her royal welcomes with her favorite scripture, “I will bless the Lord at all times and his praises shall continually be in my mouth” (Psalm 34:1). She was a faithful and supernatural giver in supporting her Pastor and Church. She was called by many as “Gales National Bank” never gave small but big. She would save money and assist others in giving to family and friends resources to bless the ministry and help meet life crises.

Madame Doris Gales leaves to cherish and honor her memories Chief Apostle Howard L. Gales Sr. (husband), four children, Tanya Hopkins (predeceased), Tarena J. Caffee. (Ricky C.) of Virginia Beach, VA, Stephanie White (Ricky W.) of Va. Beach, VA, Howard L. Gales Jr. (Lakishia) of Va. Beach, VA. Siblings Moncure Futrell, Shirley Dickerson, Lloyd Futrell (predeceased), and Trudy Spady (predeceased). A host of Grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Colonial Grove Memorial Park

3445 Princess Anne Road
Virginia Beach, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **19**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
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Service

JAN **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Garden of Prayer Temple
1001 Church Street
Norfolk, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Madame Doris Jean Gales



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 24, 2024 at 02:37 PM

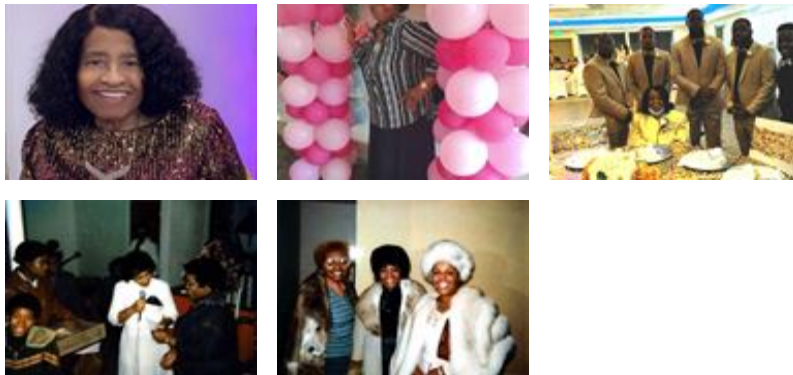
BB

“ I count it an honor to have met Madame Gales
She always had a beautiful smile and a kind word. I would call her every now and then. Continue to be encouraged Gales family. I am Deaconess Beverly Branch, mother of Bishop Joseph Branch.

Beverly A Branch - January 19, 2024 at 01:28 PM



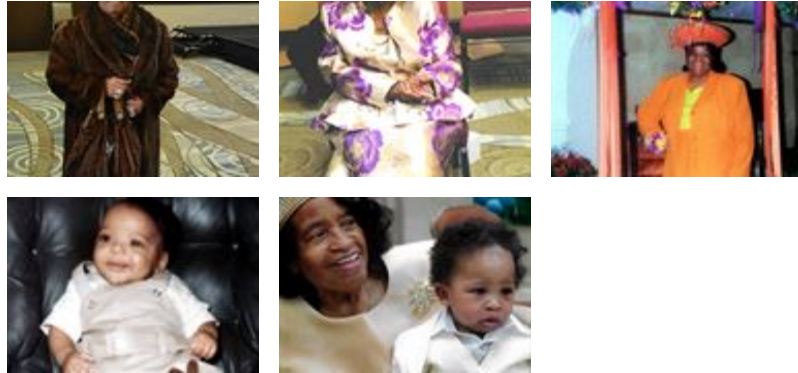
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J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 19, 2024 at 11:48 AM



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J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 18, 2024 at 05:40 PM



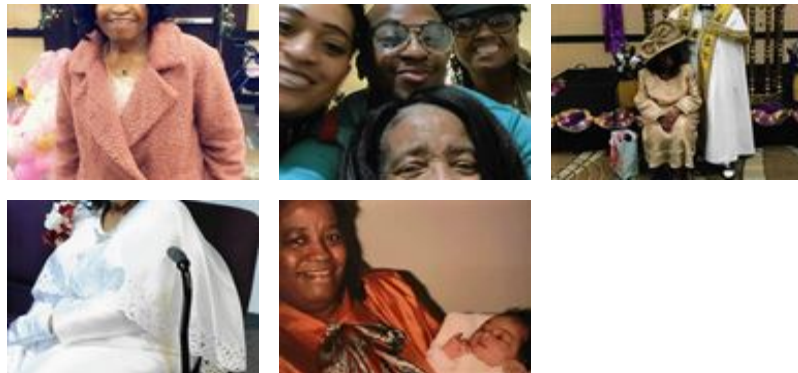
“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Madame Doris Jean Gales.



January 18, 2024 at 04:01 PM



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J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 18, 2024 at 11:33 AM

SF

“ Sincerely, Donnie Sutton & Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Madame Doris Jean Gales.



Sincerely, Donnie Sutton & Family - January 17, 2024 at 03:52 PM

DC

“ Monecure and family, please accept my sincerest condolences in the lost of your love one.



Dorethea Cowell - January 17, 2024 at 10:39 AM

TC

“ Mom, I will miss our shopping days, your phone calls checking on all of us, your voice praying with power and anointing, and your great faith in times when we needed a supernatural believer. Just to name a few things. You can never be replaced. I thank God for his mercy and grace that gives us strength. God called you because your work on earth was done. These are the words you spoke to us. Rest in peace. Thank you for caring for our family and sharing your beauty and character with us. Wow such an amazing woman. Love your Daughter, Tarena J Caffee



Tarena J Caffee - January 16, 2024 at 02:47 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Madame Doris Jean Gales.*



January 16, 2024 at 12:32 PM



“ *To the Gales and Futrell Family our hearts were sadden to hear of the passing of your beloved family member, Madame Doris Jean Gales. Our prayers and condolences are with each of you as you navigate life's journey without your wife, mother, sister grandmother, aunt and great-grandmother. May the comfort of the Holy Spirit mend your broken hearts.*



To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

Teresia Smith

Teresia Smith - January 15, 2024 at 08:10 PM



Thank you for your kind words. Madame Gales will be sorely missed. Her beautiful smile will be forever in our hearts.

Tarena J Caffee - January 16, 2024 at 02:38 PM



*I only met Madame Gales a couple of times. However, her charismatic soul is something you never forget. Your family was and still is truly blessed to have known her. May GOD continue to see her in the way you live your lives. May his spirit comfort you. With heartfelt sympathy.
Sandria White Hughes*

Sandria W Hughes - January 16, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Madame Doris Jean Gales.*



January 15, 2024 at 04:25 PM



“ *Prophetess Gray lit a candle in memory of Madame Doris Jean Gales*



Prophetess Williams Gray - January 13, 2024 at 08:36 PM



“ *Deepest condolences from Vivian Stevens. Doris was my first cousin. Her dad and my mom were siblings. May God encourage your hearts as you fondly remember your dear wife, mother, sister, aunt, church mother.*

Vivian Stevens - January 12, 2024 at 04:04 PM



Thank you so much for your thoughts. Madame Gales loved family.

Tarena J Caffee - January 16, 2024 at 02:39 PM