



Jane P. Miller

June 26, 1933 - May 22, 2026

Jane P. Miller, was born June 26, 1933 to Julia Robinson and Arthur Bairfield in Birmingham Alabama. She was the second daughter born to Julia Robinson who had an older daughter by a previous marriage. By age 11 her mother remarried and she was raised by Reverend Lonnie Lige in Chicago's Princeton Park homes. While there, Jane graduated from Calumet High School.

She went on to spend more than 50 years in this community that fostered her love of gardening as the neighbors would hold annual competitions for the best garden.

Jane was joined in marriage to Harry Miller in 1962 and to this union a daughter Kathleen was born. Jane would eventually become a single parent, involved in every aspect of her daughter's development.

Jane followed her mother into their church home of Greater Bethesda Missionary Baptist church in the historic Bronzeville neighborhood where she became an active member. There would be 3 generations of her family at this church where she accepted the teachings of Jesus Christ and applied His

principles while serving on several outreach committees within Bethesda.

In 1957 she started as a file clerk at Continental Insurance (one of the first African Americans employed at the firm during this time) eventually working her way up to supervisor before retiring in 1989. She would later return to the workforce in various roles before finally retiring in 1999, whereupon she received a resolution from the City Council and Chicago Mayor for her success as a site manager at St. Mark Manor.

In retirement, Jane enjoyed her church activities, gardening, continued travel with the Sno-Gophers ski club and hosting dinner parties in her Princeton Park home.

Jane spent her final days at Avantara of Lincoln Park where she was described by the staff as a sweet and uplifting spirit. She would often share photos from the picture album compiled by her Bethesda family.

Jane completed her Father's assignment on May 22.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter Kathleen and sister Idene of Detroit.

She leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Cemetery

12300 South Kedzie Avenue
Blue Island, IL 60406

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 2. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home Landmark Chapel
7030 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Funeral Service

JUN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial/Interment

JUN 2. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Delores Tolliver and Karen Sinkfield purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jane P. Miller.*



Delores Tolliver and Karen Sinkfield - June 01 at 11:12 AM



“ *Dear friends and family, a friend of mine put together the following video. Feel free to share the link*

<https://youtu.be/-7YWAEBIvIE>

Kim Lee - June 01 at 10:20 AM

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Thank you so much for the beautiful tribute video honoring Jane. It was thoughtfully done and captured so many wonderful memories of Jane and Kathleen. Watching it brought smiles, and tears, as well as appreciation for the impact she had on all of our lives. We truly appreciate the time, and love that went into creating such a meaningful tribute.

Karen Sinkfield - June 01 at 11:28 AM

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“ *My Dear friend I will miss you we shared some wonderful moments together they will be cherish forever.I know the presence of God is with you your Beautiful Daughter will escort you to the pearly gates.Rest my sister rest in Heavenly Peace.*

maggie ward-Knox - May 31 at 10:10 PM



Maggie, thank you for the words of comfort during this time.

Kim Lee - June 01 at 09:28 AM