



Laura Frances Henry

December 18, 1931 - June 20, 2025

Laura Frances Henry, age 93, transitioned peacefully on June 20, 2025, at Norwalk Hospital surrounded by loved ones. Born on December 18th, 1931, in Waxhaw, North Carolina to the late Calvin Henry and the late Aline Houston Henry Giles. Laura attended Winston-Salem Teacher's College and later went on to build a remarkable career and life centered on compassion, advocacy, service, and community empowerment. She worked as a Tenant Relations Advocate at the Stamford Housing Authority, a role that suited her servant's heart and her fight for the rights and fairness of countless residents. She served as the President of the Southfield Village Tenants Association and held a seat on the Board of Directors at the Southfield Community Center, where her leadership left a lasting impact on so many. Known as a pillar of "The Village", many still affectionately known her as, "Mom" or "Ms. Frances."

Laura was a woman deeply rooted in her faith and lived as a God-fearing woman whose faith

uplifted everyone around her. She is a former member of Greater Faith Tabernacle Baptist Church, where she sang in the choir, and later became a devoted member of Christ the Redeemer Missionary Baptist Church until her health declined. Her life was a living testimony to the power of grace, devotion, and purpose.

Beyond her service, Laura had a vibrant and creative spirit. She had a gift for crafting, especially floral arrangements and centerpieces, and she took pride in making sure every detail of her space was just right. Laura's touch brought beauty and comfort to every room she encountered. She found joy in bowling on Saturday nights, opening her home to play Spades, Pokeno, Tunk, Pitty Pat, cooking and hosting her family for holidays, dressing up like the Fox she was, and so much more. She always believed in the importance of showing up with love and leaving a lasting impact.

Among her many pearls of wisdom, a message that she lived by and leaves with us now: "Keep the Faith." Through every season of life, Laura held this close. Her legacy is a testament to the power of having faith in every circumstance.

She leaves behind a devoted family who will continue her legacy. Her children: Dawn Henry, Jonathan Henry, Evelyn Fisher, and Annette Adams (Sylas Adams). Her five adored grandchildren: Shekitha Smith, Keecha Smith, Keenan Hardy, Patrick Francis, and Precious

Smith; four sisters: Reverend Elizabeth Page, Andrea Giles, Cecilia Giles, and Margo Giles; and

her brother, James "Uncle Bro" Giles. She is also remembered with love by her devoted

companion, Herman R. Fisher, and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren, and dear friends.

Laura was preceded in death by her two sons, Michael Henry and Reginald Fisher, her brother,

Howard Giles; and her sister, Bessie Ruth McGee.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 27, 2025, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, followed by a

celebration of life at 11:00 am at Christ the Redeemer Missionary Baptist Church, 785

Boston Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, with Rev. Dr. James R. Cook, Sr. officiating.

The interment

will take place at Spring Grove Cemetery, 41 Hecker Avenue, Darien, CT.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Graves Medley Funeral Services in loving

memory of Mother Laura Frances Henry. For inquiries, please contact 203-323-2666.

Cemetery Details

Spring Grove Cemetery

41 Hecker Ave.
Darien, CT

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ the Redeemer MBC
785 Boston Ave
Bridgeport, CT 06610-2107
(203) 366-6114

Service

JUN 27. 11:00 AM.

Christ the Redeemer Missionary Baptist Church
Bridgeport, CT

Tribute Wall

DM

“ To the Henry and Fisher Family,

We will always remember our fun times growing up on Division Street. May God bless and keep you all!

Pauline and Deborah McMurray-Corley

Deborah McMurray-Corley - August 10, 2025 at 09:55 AM



RF

“ To The Henry Family,

Take comfort in knowing that now you have a special guardian angel to watch over you!

Ronnie and Brenda Fields - July 10, 2025 at 12:57 PM



SF

“ May God continue to bless you all during your time of sorrow.

Shawn/Linda Ford - June 30, 2025 at 06:08 PM



SG

“ *The hardest thing to do is let you go, but you have gotten your wings, so fly high auntie!!! We will miss you so much! Love you forever*



sharice giles - June 26, 2025 at 09:01 PM

DA

“ *To the family of Laura Frances Henry, You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of this amazing woman. She will forever be remembered, missed and loved, SIP AND POWER MOM LAURA FRANCES HENRY!! Keeping the family lifted up in prayer.*



Donna Aekins - June 26, 2025 at 08:26 PM

WW

“ *Willie Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Laura Frances Henry*



Willie Wheeler - June 25, 2025 at 05:07 PM

BP

“ *Bridget and Thomas Patterson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Laura Frances Henry.*



Bridget and Thomas Patterson - June 25, 2025 at 02:26 PM

RC

“ To the family of Laura Frances Henry: “Ms. Frances”, is what I affectionately called her has been a part of my life since my childhood. She lived above me and my family on Division Street and was a good friend and became family. Our families shared many meals together. My mother, Virginia Coleman who was affectionately called “Coco” by her family, was a babysitter to her children. When we all moved to SFV, Frances made a decision to become a part of the solution, not the problem, so she became an employee of Stamford Housing Authority. She was a great mom and friend and she will truly be missed by all. all who had the opportunity to know her. I will truly miss my phone calls with her. Much love, Robin. ❤️🕊️



Robin Coleman-Cannon - June 25, 2025 at 06:40 AM

DT

“ Sending condolences to purchased cousin Annette, uncle Herman and the entire family in the passing of your beloved mother, grandmother and companion. Our prayers are with you. Look to God for your strength and He will comfort you. We love you all!!

Yours in Christ
Rev. Stanley & Denene Turner
North Carolina.

Denene Turner - June 24, 2025 at 07:41 PM

DT

Typo mistake condolences to our cousin " not purchased "

Denene Turner - June 24, 2025 at 07:43 PM

MM

“ When days turn into weeks and weeks into months and before you know it it’s a new year. I missed visiting Mrs. Henry in the last few years. Your Mom was a wonderful friend to me. Because of Mrs. Henry I got the job working at the housing authority and we worked together until she retired. So many stories to share. Missing your Mom so much. Wishing I made that last call. She lived a long full life 93 years is such a blessing. I pray her love for God and the church lives on in you. Please know I’m thinking of you and praying for you all and if there’s anything I can do, don’t hesitate to let me know.

Your Mom was a gem. 💎

Monique Moye - June 23, 2025 at 11:18 PM

JP

“ To the Henry family I give my condolences to you all Mrs Henry was a nice lady I knew her when she work for the housing authority may she rest in peace. Love Joy Poteau

Joy Poteau - June 23, 2025 at 09:32 PM