

Associate Pastor Lora Pearl Williams Jackson Gaines, affectionately called “Pat,” was born in Weston, Webster County, Georgia on October 14, 1948, to the parents of the late Mr. Robert Pete Williams, Sr. and the late Mrs. Evie Lee Dunning Williams. She was educated in the public schools of Sumter County. When she moved to Americus, she furthered her education at South Georgia Technical College and obtained a degree in cosmetologist. At an early age, she attended United Holiness Headquarters. Later, she became a member at Harvest Gathering, where she was Associate Pastor.

On August 13, 2011, she was joined in Holy Matrimony to Mr. Johnnie Lee Gaines, whom she loved dearly. Associate Pastor Lora Pearl Williams Jackson Gaines moved her membership to the Old Corinth Baptist Church to be with her husband.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her late husband, Monroe Jackson, Jr.; her brothers: Johnny Williams and Robert Pete Williams, Jr.; her in-laws: Jessie Lee White, Artis White, Florrel and Ozie Paschal, Inez Lockhart, Alphonie Leary, Otis Holcomb.

Associate Pastor Lora Pearl Williams Jackson Gaines leaves behind a golden legacy of memories in the hearts of her loving husband, Johnnie L. Gaines; her children: Retired US Army SSGT Monroe (Sonya) Jackson, III, Sharon (Tony) Frencher, Darron (Yvonne) Jackson, Patricia “Patty” (Sammie) Jackson and Stephen (Kimberly) Jackson, Sr.; her siblings: Shirley Holcomb, Maudie Ree Leary, Cloris Diane (Frankie) Laster, Sally Lee (Ray) Lasiter, Roxie (Rudy) Dixon and Eliza (Sam) Williams; an uncle, Ernest Dunning; her grandchildren: Marquis (Kayla) Jackson, Darron Jackson, Jr., Stephen Jackson, Jr., Amethyst Williams, Ametrish Williams, Kyla Jackson, Zamarell Jackson, Robert Jackson, Jr., Christopher Jackson, Ayden Jackson, Moniyah Jackson, Brianna Williams, Lamark Manigault and Michael “Kobe” Terry; her great grandchildren: Jaidyn Williams, Aubree Jackson, Peyton Williams, Bentley Williams and Paxton Williams; four step children: Katrina (Marc) Waymon, LaShonda (Terrance) Allen, Lakeisha Bowens and Gerald (Edith) Greene; step grandchildren: Marc Waymon, Brandon Waymon, Christian Waymon, Terrance Allen, Kendall Allen, Cor’Shannon Bowens, JaQuan Bowens, LeShame Bowens, D’Adrianna Bowens, Ny’Leria Bowens, Cameron Bowens, Ny’Keria Bowens, Ivory Bowens, Gerald Greene, Jr., Bryan Greene, Christopher Greene and Tamera Greene; step great grandchildren: Mckenzie Waymon, Ashton Waymon, Kamiri Foster, Bryan Greene, II, Brendon Greene, Tonya Greene, Desiree Greene, Gerald Greene, III, Gianna Greene and Gia Greene; her brother-in-law, Otis (Berdia) White; sisters-in-law, Shelly Walker, Gracie Walker and Vatis Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.