

*Keepsake Program for  
A CELEBRATION  
OF THE  
LIFE AND SERVICE OF*



*A visionary that awakens, inspires, empowers, and actualizes*

*Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam*

Sunrise: July 21, 1953

Homecoming: December 1, 2014

Saturday, January 31, 2015

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*Celebration of the Life and Service of  
Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam*



Calling in the Elders-	Orland Bishop and the Shade Tree Percussion
Processional-	
Welcome -	Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith
Evocation -	Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith
Spiritual Reading-	Rev. Dr. Moira Foxe
Musical Inspiration-	String Quartet- Lark's favorite hymns
The Reflection on Lark's Life-	Rev. Dr. Moira Foxe
Lark's Perspective of "The Work". -Video	Orland Bishop
Accolades and Tributes-	Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith Honorable Congresswoman Karen Bass Honorable Senator Holly Mitchell Honorable Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas Honorable Mayor Eric Garcetti Dr. Robert Tranquada Dr. David Carlisle Paul Hernandez Charmine Ruddock Dr. Sunita Puri
"Catching the Vision"	Orland Bishop
Sharing is Caring- Musical Inspiration-	Writing Special Messages and Memories Dr. Rickie Byars-Beckwith
A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words-Video	Orland Bishop
Gratitude-Call to Action	Nicole A. Evans
Eulogy-	Dr. Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith
Musical Inspiration- Lark's message to us-	Sade Moore-Dancer
Recessional to Release the Doves- Releasing of 21 Doves and Benediction-	Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith Rev. Dr. Michael Beckwith

*Friends are welcome to greet Lark's Family and the CHC family in Family Room*

## *Lark's Life's Journey*

Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam, the daughter of Lloyd Edward Galloway and Dorothy Carmen Kahn-Galloway was born on July 21, 1953 in Los Angeles, California. It is so interesting to know that the description of the weather in Los Angeles in 1953 was described as “warm Mediterranean days”, and maybe this is why Lark’s favorite food was Mediterranean and she was always on the hunt to find the “**best grape leaves**”. Lark was the fourth child of five children and the second daughter of the three girls. Lloyd and Dolly demonstrated profound love for family, and unquestionable commitment for the enhancement of their community which laid the cornerstone and direction of Lark’s life. Lark spent her childhood and young adulthood serving God through her work in her Dad’s church, Lincoln Memorial Congregational Church of the United Church of Christ. It was amazing to watch how Lark always seem to attract the youth in the church and as a young adult she directed the youth group-Pilgrim Fellowship. They trusted her with all their secrets and they had to because they could not hide anything from her. She was a master at reading their souls. She shared one of her greatest gifts with them guiding them on how to become effective leaders. Lark served in leadership positions from a local level to the national level of the UCC denomination. She was a powerhouse with a big destiny!

Lark was a lover of knowledge and demonstrated her intelligence and thirst for education from her initial educational experience at 24<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary School, where she excelled academically and artistically. She held the position of first chair violinist and loved classical music. Lark was among the first group of children that participated in the busing program that sent her to Emerson Jr. High and then on to University High. This opened a whole new world of challenges for Lark and she met them head on. She rose to leadership positions in every school she attended. Even at an early age Lark always seemed to develop a platform that was different from any other student that she ran against and she usually ended up the President of the Student Body Government. She was so serious and intentional about making changes to benefit all the students she represented. Like her Dad, Lark was a champion in Speech and Debate in high school. She attended U.C.L.A. for undergraduate studies and received a B.S. degree in Biology in 1975. Initially, she had prepared for and applied for Medical School, and was accepted to UC Irvine, but then decided that she was called to a health advocacy role and decided to attend USC. In 1977 Lark received her Master of Public Administration degree and was ready to jump into community health and make a difference in the world. Lark completed all of her course work for her Doctorate in Public Administration, but got so caught up in her career and supporting others, that she had to put her completion of her dissertation on hold. With all she has done in public health she deserves to have an honorary Doctorate degree. But if you knew Lark, it really did not phase her, because working in the trenches enhancing the lives of the people she served was her first priority. Service to humanity came first in Lark’s life.

Lark worked in hospital administration at Kaiser Permanente and Cedars Sinai Medical Center for a few years and received lucrative consulting offers before opening a non-profit organization. For a decade, she served as the Executive Director of Assisting the Disabled with Employment, Placement, and Training, a program that helped people with disabilities find work.

She developed and organized Community Health Councils, and served as the CEO from its conception. The impetus for creating the organization stemmed from discovering that the healthcare establishments that were burned to the ground in the 1992 riots were owned by outsiders or were out of touch with the community. She started with a small group of women that were willing to plunge into making “waves of change”, and since then the organization has grown to more than 40 employees reaching out through different programs to make a difference where ever a challenge arises. As Paul Hernandez said, “We never knew what challenge Lark would take up next, but we knew it was always for the greater good of others that needed support, encouragement, or a voice that would not falter under pressure even if it was against all odds.

Lark was an organizer, a dreamer, a visionary who as one friend Orland shared, “She would tell me that at night when the house was quiet and her mind was busy bringing the day to an end, she would go outside look up to the stars in the sky and pray to be open to God’s inspiration”. The answers to challenges or the visions of what to create next would come to her in her dreams. She was divinely inspired throughout her life and her career. Lark was a negotiator, a builder of bridges in situations that at first seemed like they were insurmountable chasms with no resolve in sight. “Her famous response to us was “Stop, look and listen, before you respond”, and now we know these elements were her tools for success!

Family was the personal part of Lark’s life, although to know Lark, you would invariably know that Robin was the love of her life. So from her union in marriage to Edward Robin Gilliam they were blessed to become parents of Robin Eloise. This creation of Mother and child relationship was a very special and sacred part of the core of Lark’s expression

that will always be an eternal expression. They are so tuned into one another that they always know each other's thoughts and even more profound, each other's feelings. It is a mother –daughter relationship that really complimented each other. They are an invincible team. Robin has always been that person and space that was a refuge for Lark. She could come home no matter how late in the evening and Robin was there for her. She listened to what had unfolded that day and would chime in with words of an unbiased opinion that reflected Robin's deep wisdom and love for her Mom. They are each other's sounding boards as Lark is still infusing her spirit in Robin's life and always will.

Lark holds a very special and sacred space in the lives of each family member. She was always the one that had that sense of humor that kept us on our toes. She started out being the quiet child who just seemed to watch and listen to everything that was going on. Then all of a sudden one day she opened up and started expressing herself and everyone was stunned. Our parents were amazed and so proud of what she had been carrying in the depths of her soul! We all knew that Lark had been chosen for a "big destiny" and that she would be relentless, committed, and determined. We as a family knew that she was a soft and gentle human being, but that when confronted with challenges she would become a "warrior for human rights". She has a special and unique relationship with each of us in the family. Lark's siblings Elizabeth G. Evans, Lloyd E. Galloway, Jr. Mark E. Galloway, and Patricia G. Banday, each have their own special love connection with Larkie (Tinker Bell) and have a deep and abiding love for her. Lark has a special love connection with her (brother)-in - law Eugene (Geno) Banday and her (God) sister-Kathi Cliff. Geno was her barometer on the political and labor union issues and Kathi was her confidant. Her nieces Nicole A. Evans and Leilani R. Banday and Nephew Joshua E. Banday, each hold attributes of their Aunt Larkie and she is still their go to person when they have to make big life decisions. She loves her nieces and nephew with great admiration and patience and always accepted each of them for who they were designed to be. The family has been recently blessed by the birth of Celio H. Valdez-Banday, Leilani's son, and Malia E. Banday, Joshua's daughter. Lark use to say that Celio was her guide, because he really "got her". Lark is so loved and cherished by her family. She was clear that each relationship had its own texture and dynamics. Lark (Sparkie) gave us the gift of learning what devotion to others means to the evolution of the soul.

Well done thy good and faithful servant! You have loved deeply. You have served unselfishly. You have fulfilled God's destiny for your life and now you can rest (for a little) in God's hands. As Robin said, "I understand that my Mom's spirit got too big for her physical body because God needed her to do an even greater work".

Many are the miles that you have traveled, because your feet were shod with hope and a dream, with belief and will for which not discouragement or failure or trials were a match.

The elements of your soul gave the edge to the spirit that was you whose values, whose beauty, whose resources made you a model for all those who shared the walk through life with you.

So, artistic one, move on and upward to the prize you seek! You learned your lesson well by sensitivity of soul, a humility and grace that allowed you to peak through the covers of life and discover Truth!

Your stride was confident and your gate winged by an inspired heart to drink deeply of the goodness of life. When you fell you rose higher than before, when you failed you won a priceless prize. When you felt pain or sorrow you experienced the sweetness of joy-because you sought to walk with God!

Lloyd E. Galloway, Sr. - Lark's father's message to her  
American Poetry Anthology, 1990 Edition

## *Things you may or may not know about-*

### *Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam*

#### **EDUCATION**

- 1975 University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
Bachelor of Science, Biology
- 1977 University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA  
Master of Public Administration
- 1982 University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA  
Completed all course work towards Doctorate in Public Administration

#### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2013-2015 Principal Investigator  
A Community Collaborative Effort to Reduce the Burden of Heart Disease
- 2012-2015 US National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities  
Principal Investigator  
REACH-Demonstration Project  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- 2012-2014 Principal Investigator  
Community Transformation Grant-Small Communities Program  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- 2000-2012 Principal Investigator  
African Americans Building a Legacy of Health.  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention REACH US
- 1999-2000 Principal Investigator  
Planning Grant  
African Americans Building a Legacy of Health.  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention REACH 2010

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2003 Guest Lecturer  
UCLA School of Public Health
- 2004 Guest Lecturer  
USC Department of Planning, Policy and Development
- 2004 Guest Lecturer  
USC School of Family Medicine
- 2004 Guest Lecturer  
USC School of Medicine
- 2005 Guest Lecturer  
Pomona College

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2015 California Black Women's Health Project Award for "Woman Who Dared Award"
- 2012 Office of Minority Health, *Health Equity Champion*
- 2007 Southern California Public Health Association
- 2007 Assembly Empowerment Congress
- 2005 Durfee Foundation Sabbatical

2004  
1998

APHA, Latino Caucus Community Organization Award  
US DHHS Healthcare Financing Administration

## **PUBLICATIONS - Peer-Reviewed**

**\*\*L. Galloway-Gilliam** "Community Partnership strategies: Let's Share the Same Playbooks" *Partnership Progress in Community Health Partnership; Research, Education and Action Volume 5, Issue 3, Fall 2011 pp. 213-214 | 10.1353/cpr.2011.0037*

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**\*\*D. Sloane et al.** Assessing Resource Environments to Target Prevention Interventions in Community Chronic Disease Control *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved 2006; 17: S146-S158.*

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### **Contributor**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-Division of Community Health. A Practitioner's Guide for Advancing Health Equity Community Strategies for Preventing Chronic Disease. Atlanta, CA: US Department of Health and Human Services. 2013.

### **Professional Reports**

**\*\*C. China, A. Park, L. Galloway-Gilliam** (2012) *Health Professional Shortage Areas: A History & Guide to Proposed Revisions.*

**\*\*R. Cunningham, A. Park, L. Galloway-Gilliam** (2012) *Dialogues with South Los Angeles Safety Net Users on Health Reform.* Prepared for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

**\*\*F. Morales, S. Vasquez, L. Galloway-Gilliam** (2012) *Bridging the Health Divide: Designing the Navigator System in California.* Prepared for the California Endowment.

**\*\*N. Bassford, L. Galloway-Gilliam, G. Flynn, B.N.Morrison** (2012) *Fast Food Restaurant Report: Promoting Healthy Dining in South Los Angeles.* Prepared for the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC).

**\*\*N. Bassford, L. Galloway-Gilliam, G. Flynn** (2010) *Food Desert to Food Oasis: Promoting Grocery Store Development in South Los Angeles.* Prepared for the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC).

**\*\*M. Paredes, L. Galloway-Gilliam** (2010) *Bridging the Health Divide: California's Certified Application Assistants.* Prepared for the California Endowment.

**\*\*A. Park, N. Watson, L. Galloway-Gilliam** (2008) *South Los Angeles Health Equity Scorecard.* Prepared for the California Endowment, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, UCLA Center for Community Partnerships.

**\*\*L. Galloway-Gilliam, G. Flynn** (2008) *Does Race Define What's in the Shopping Cart?* Prepared for the Centers for

Disease Control & Prevention (CDC).

\*\*L. Galloway-Gilliam, *Community Health Dialogues* (1999), Prepared for Long Beach Community Health Council.

\*\*D. Sloan, L. Galloway-Gilliam (1999) *Community Health Research Study*, prepared for the Long Beach Community Health Council.

\*\*D. Sloan, L. Galloway-Gilliam (1996) *Community Health Research Study*, prepared for the LBCC  
**PRESENTATIONS AND EXPERT TESTIMONY**

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) "A Model for Community Partnerships", Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit Program, July 18, 2014

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) "Improving Park Access for Underserved Communities, Park Equity Forum" 2014

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter):" Bridging the Gap between Park-Poor Communities and State Parks"; Parks Forward October 17, 2013

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) Joint Center for Economic Development, Washington DC.; Race and Place Matter: Designing Policies to End Health Disparities (Plenary Session); October 1, 2013

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) "Policy and Advocacy to Increase Accessibility Charles Drew School of Medicine and Allied Health; September 27, 2012

\*\*L Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) CDC; Weight of the Nation Conference May 7-9, 2012L Galloway-Gilliam Community Empowerment WHO World Conference on Health Promotion in Nairobi, Kenya. October 25 - 30, 2009. "

\*\*L. Galloway-Gilliam (presenter) Raising the Bar: Obesity Prevention Requires Addressing Health Disparities – Success Stories from REACH, July Center for Disease Control Division of Nutrition Physical Active and Obesity *Weight of the Nation* CDC's Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity, July 27-29, 2009,

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2014-Present City of Los Angeles ReCode Zoning Advisory Committee

2014-Present City of Los Angeles Park Program Park Advisory Committee

2014-Present Community Commons – IP3 Board of Directors

2004-Present California Hospital Assessment and Reporting Taskforce Steering Committee

2004-Present National Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) Coalition Board of Directors

2010-2014 Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Center for Disease Control and Prevention - "Community Transformation Grant" Leadership Advisory Committee

2010-2013 Children's Law Center of California Board of Directors

2007-2009 Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Center for Disease Control and Prevention "Communities Putting Prevention to Work" Leadership Advisory Committee

2002-2014 Kaiser Permanente Arbitration Oversight Board

California Budget Project Board of Directors

2008-Present South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

2007– 2014 Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Council

California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Advisory Group

Los Angeles County Department of Health Service Health Care Policy Advisory Committee & Quality Data Committee

2003-2007 City of Los Angeles Commission for Children, Youth and Families

California Attorney General's Charity Care Advisory Committee Los Angeles Health Collaborative Steering Committee

2005- 2007 Martin Luther King Medical Center Hospital Advisory Board

## *Larkie's Testimony*

*These are thoughts that Lark shared with us from what she experienced in her journey with God or interpreted from her spiritual exploration and study.*

"My walk with God has taken me into dimensions that I could not have imagined. I have seen things you have not seen, and I know things you do not know"-

"God is Love and all there is -is Love".

"You can always say, "Reset" and move on."

"There is no guilt in love"!

"We miss so much of what is happening around us, and what people are trying to communicate, because we don't take time to –

STOP/LOOK/ and LISTEN"

"Trust God! Find rejuvenating joy in each and every day." "And by all means smile".

"We are here to be creative beings.

To bring forth the good, love, peace and joy that is God-that is creation".

"Be 'careful for nothing' but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving.

Let your request be known unto God"

"It's not about the process, it's about the purpose"



*Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam*  
*Memorial Service Participants*

**Officiating Service: Ministers and Spiritual Advisors**

**\*Dr. Michael Bernard Beckwith:** Michael Bernard Beckwith is the founder of Agape International Spiritual Center, a multicultural, trans-denominational community with thousands of local members and live streamers throughout the world. Beckwith's humanitarian works have been read into the 107th Congressional Record and in 2012 he addressed the UN General Assembly during its annual World Interfaith Harmony Conference. Beckwith is co-chair of the Gandhi King Season for Nonviolence which was launched at the United Nations in 1998 and is active in 900 international cities and 67 countries. He is the author of Life Visioning, Spiritual Liberation, and Transcendence Expanded. He has appeared on Dr. Oz, The Oprah Winfrey Show, OWN Help Desk, Tavis Smiley, Larry King Live, and in his own PBS Special, The Answer Is You. Every Friday at 1 pm PST, you can tune into his radio show on KPFK, Wake Up: The Sound of Transformation.

**\*Rev. Dr. Moira Foxe:** Senior Minister at the Redondo Beach Center for Spiritual Living and School for Spiritual Leadership. At present she serves her Spiritual Organization, Centers for Spiritual Living as the Regional Support Coordinator for Region Two in California. Dr. Moira is a staunch advocate for Interfaith/Cultural unity, working together to create a compassionate world that is inclusive and works for all. It is her joy to show up in Sacred Service every new day and endeavor to meet a need where she finds it.

**\*Orland Bishop:** Co-founder and Executive Director of Shade Tree which is a Multicultural Foundation where he has pioneered approaches to urban truces and mentoring at-risk youth that combine new ideas with traditional ways of knowledge. Orland Bishop combines a deep dedication to human rights advocacy and cultural renewal with an extensive study of medicine, naturopathy, psychology and indigenous cosmologies. He was a research fellow with the Center for the Study of Violence and Social Change at [Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science](#) in Los Angeles and has consulted with many human development organizations.

**Words of Acknowledgement and Admiration from Governmental Officials**

**\*Congresswoman Karen Bass:** represents California's 37th Congressional District in the United States House Of Representatives. Congresswoman Bass has been a life-long activist in Los Angeles. She founded the Community Coalition. She was elected to the California Assembly in 2004, and her colleagues elected her to be their Speaker. She was elected to Congress in 2010 and is now the Co-Chair of the Congressional Caucus on Foster Youth.

**\*Senator Holly Mitchell:** represents the 30th Senate District which includes Culver City and parts of the City and County of Los Angeles, including the communities of Beverlywood, Century City, Cheviot Hills, the Crenshaw District, Hyde Park, Ladera Heights, Mid-Wilshire, South Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, West Athens.

**\*County Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas:** Began his career in service as the Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Greater Los Angeles. He was first elected to public office in 1991 on the Los Angeles City Council where he served as Council President Pro Tempore. He served two terms in the California State Assembly representing the 26<sup>th</sup> District and Chaired the Assembly Democratic Caucus and served as Chair of the California Legislative Black Caucus in 2008. Currently, he represents the Second District on the L.A. County Board of Supervisors. By virtue of founding the Empowerment Congress he is considered the founder of the Neighborhood Council movement.

**\*Mayor of the City of Los Angeles Eric Garcetti:** Mayor Eric Garcetti is the 42nd Mayor of Los Angeles. His "Back to basics" agenda is focused on job creation and solving everyday problems for L.A. residents. Mayor Garcetti served as President of the Los Angeles City Council from 2006 to 2012. From 2001 until taking office as Mayor, he served as the Councilmember representing the 13th District which includes Hollywood, Echo Park, Silver Lake, and Atwater Village. Mayor Garcetti earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University and studied as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford and the London School of Economics. He taught at Occidental College and USC.

## **Mentors and Public Health Colleagues**

**\*Dr. Robert Tranquada, M.D.** is Lark's Personal friend and Mentor. Dr. Tranquada is an Emeritus Professor at the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles. Dr. Tranquada helped found the Watts Health Clinic. In 1969 he was appointed associate dean of USC School of Medicine and was influential in developing and strengthening educational components of the Charles R. Drew Postgraduate Medical School, now Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science. He served as the Norman Topping/National Medical Enterprises Professor of Medicine and Public Policy from 1992 until his retirement in June 1997.

**\*Charmine Ruddock**- Director of the Bronx Health Reach at the Institute for Family Health. Lark and Charmine were two of the founding members of the National REACH Coalition in 2004. Charmine succeeded Lark as Chair of the Board of Directors of NRC. They were both invited to go to Kenya in 2009 at the invitation of the CDC to present their work at the World Health Organization Conference.

**\*Dr. David M. Carlisle**- President of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU). Dr. Carlisle holds a faculty appointment, in the College of Medicine, at CDU. Dr. Carlisle has been a member of the faculty at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA since 1992. He has also served as a consultant for the RAND/UCLA Center for Health Policies Studies. Dr. Carlisle advocates for greater diversity within the health care industry and his clinical work revolved around caring for the underserved. He has worked with Lark on many issues involving disparities in healthcare.

**\*Paul Hernandez**- President of the Board of Community Health Councils, Inc. (Paul Hernandez has an 18-year professional history in public policy, government relations, and strategic communications on issues ranging from health care to violence prevention. He has longstanding experience working with state legislators, city and county policymakers, and community leaders, which has enabled him to help organizations navigate through the complex public policy and political environment and shape a wide array of policy issues.

### **Lark's Physicians and Guardian Angels:**

**\*Dr. Sunita Puri**-Lark's Physician -Doctor of Internal Medicine with the Kaiser Permanente West L.A., in Palliative Medicine. She completed her medical training in internal medicine at the University of California San Francisco and completed a fellowship in palliative medicine at Stanford University. She is committed to the idea that medicine can be a vehicle for social justice and that equal access to quality health care is central to community empowerment.

**\* Dr. Reginald Mason:** Our family cannot thank Dr. Mason enough for what he did for Lark and our family to support and guide us through Lark's journey. Dr. Mason is a pulmonary and critical care physician in Atlanta, Georgia, who enjoys the range of experiences from working with hospitalized patients to busy days in the office. I was taught that you should treat each patient as if that person was the only patient in your practice. Reggie would take our calls any time of the day and night and what adds to his counsel is that he too comes from a family of strong faith in God.

**"Call to Action" \*Nicole A. Evans**- Lark's niece and spokesperson for the "Waves of Change" Memorial Project

### **Music and Artistic Expressions Contributed by:**

**Drumming:** Shade Tree Percussion: Vance Aniebo-Jerome Drumgole-Alicia Drumgole-Salvador Macias-Robert "Akil" Bell-Pasqual Toress-Wiley "Ade" Brown Playing: Puro Sominay, Puro Mominay: Praises to the Grandparents

**Quartet:** Musicians from the Southeast Symphony Orchestra -Jennifer Lindsey- Violin I; Shigeru Logan- Violin II; Stefan Smith- Viola; Benton Preciado- Cello; Anthony Parnter- Musical Director

**Vocal Inspiration:** Dr. Rickie Byars-Beckwith is the Music and Arts Director of Agape and is a renowned songwriter-artist

**Dancer: Sade Moore** studied theatre and jazz dance in New York at the American Musical Dramatic Academy

**Doves:** Newport Coast White Dove Release

**Videos:** "The Work" created by Michael Newman- Newman Movies

"The Other Side of Lark" created by Marvin Mc Laughlin-Moments to Remember

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## Gratitude and Appreciation:

On behalf of Lark's family we would like to thank Dr. Michael Bernard Beckwith, Rev. Dr. Coco Stewart, the Agape Staff, and the Agape Faith Community for all the love and support shared with us to make this Memorial Service possible for not only Lark's tribute for her service to humanity but also for those she shared her life with and gave her service to.

We would like to thank all those individuals behind the scene that have shown such compassion and love for our family. It goes without saying that we are appreciative for all the people that have work for and with Lark that made it possible to live out her dream of being a "Servant in the service of mankind". This appreciation extends from those precious individuals that helped Lark open the doors of "CHC" to those that are currently working with CHC to carry on the legacy of her vision for being a "beacon light" in the "community". We know that they have caught the vision and will push forward to continue the "work" of Lark-"the social justice warrior". Trust us when we tell you she will visit you in your dreams and visions for the enhancement and development of CHC's work!

The family and CHC would also like to thank the dignitaries, mentors, ministers and colleagues, who are really Lark's friends. You have participated in her life on a very real and personal level and her relationship with each of you made it possible for her to realize "her purpose and her work". Thank you for taking out the time to give honor and respect to her life as a humanitarian and good friend. She knew she could count on each of you for consul and support in her endeavors and as her family and the community she served this loyalty will not be forgotten.

There has to be a special note of gratitude to Dr. Moira Foxe and Dr. Sunita Puri who came to Lark with love and devotion to share her journey to "the homeland". It was as if God had endowed her with special angels to guide her spiritual journey and care for her physical body as she transitioned to the "dimensions that we had not been, we had not seen, and could not know about". "Lark told us "that this was the best year of her life".

We would also like to express our appreciation to the member of the Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam Legacy Committee members, who so unselfishly dedicated their love and appreciation for Lark by taking out the time and devotion to give service to Lark's legacy.

## Members and Contributors of the Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam Memorial Service Legacy Committee

Janice Taylor- Former CHC Staff  
Jon Nomachi- Former CHC Staff  
Mia Boykins- Former CHC Staff  
Mary Johnson- Former CHC Staff  
Victoria Martin- Former CHC Staff  
Catherine Sepulveda- Current CHC Staff  
Sonya Vasquez- Current CHC Staff  
Annie Caputo Pearl- Former CHC Staff

Orland Bishop- Colleague/Spiritual Mentor  
Paul Hernandez-President of the Board of Directors CHC  
David McNeil- Executive Officer Baldwin Hills Conservancy  
Nicole A. Evans- Niece (Chair) Elizabeth Galloway-Evans  
Robin E. Gilliam- Lark's daughter  
Patricia Galloway-Banday-Leilani, Joshua, and Eugene  
Mark E. Galloway and Lloyd E. Galloway, Jr.  
Terri Taylor - Isidra Person-Lynn-Wiley Brown

## *Lark Eloise Galloway-Gilliam*

### *Legacy Memorial*

### *"Waves of Change"*

**The Concept:** In an effort to acknowledge and continue the legacy of Lark Galloway-Gilliam and others that have passed on, we wanted to find a way to show our appreciation and respect for the years of service they have given tirelessly and unselfishly to humanity. We are cognizant of the great sacrifice their leadership has cost them in an effort to bring about change to enhance the quality of our lives. We realize that, like Lark, these unsung heroes had been "called into service as their life's work". It took the ability for them to dream visions of how to impact our lives in a positive vain. It took humility and respect for others that allowed them to be able to build bridges and extend the possibility of compromise, in order to manifest these visions into reality and sustainability. They are calling each of us "into action" to move forward in uplifting our communities and to provide support to those that are "taking up the Work". There will be a memorial site that will not only leave a mark of their legacy for us to remember, but will be a venue for visionaries to come-"STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and be inspired". The legacy Memorial will support future leaders and advocates that need scholarships and internships.

**Memorial Project Information: If you are interested in making a contribution to the "Waves of Change" Project please contact us at: [larkgallowaygilliam.legacy@gmail.com](mailto:larkgallowaygilliam.legacy@gmail.com)**