Mother Day Dinner a great hit.

By JAMES W. WADE III Staff Reporter In the early 1990's Mrs. Gaines joined the Flight to Glory a local gospel group. The Mother's Day Dinner was a fund raiser for the flight to glory and a way of honoring mother's. Shortly after Mrs. Gaines joined the group the mother's day dinner grew to 300 people or more.

Mrs. Gaines would invite churches from all over the city. Many in which she blessed with tickets to attended. The mother's day dinner was an event that Mrs. Gaines looked forward to each year. She truley loved this event.

Ironically she became ill mother's day 2007 and was unable to attend her last mother's day affair. After her death in 2007 the mother's day dinners stopped. year after year people would call the funeral home and inquire whether or not there would be a dinner again.

In 2011 the Gaines Family sponsored the 1St. annual "Gaines Family Mother's Day Dinner. The party room was reserved for 300 people, 2 weeks before the event the number had to be raised to 500.

The Gaines family is please to anounce the 2012 dinner had 600 guest. The Gaines family blessed several churches and individuals with tickets to attend.

This event was held at the Hoilday Inn, Independence. Featured was a buffet dinner, vendors, a fashion show by Ms. C's Fashions, and spoken words of a mother's worth by Minister Lachele Harris of the Cleveland Church of Christ.

With the blessings of God the Gaines family will continue to sponsor this event for years to come. The family's way of saying thank you to the community.

Some of the venors included; •Art of Boutique (Essie O'Neal) •Bling Jewelry (Lloyd) •Bea utiful Bling Jewelry (Chervon)

•So Blessed, So Dressed Boutique (Gussie Bedford)

•Mrs. C's Fashion

•Wilda (Shoes and Handbags)

•Beaunice Fountain (Spiritual Gear)

•Brenda (Tracy Lynn Jewelry)