

God's Garden



God looked around his garden
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.
-Anonymous

Floral & Pall Bearers

Family & Friends

Acknowledgement

The family would like to express our eternal gratitude to Comfort Keepers (Patti Short) and Hospice of Southern Pines N.C. (doctors, nurses and assistants)

nurses). We give GOD praise for Paula Wilson and daughter Jasmine Snipes; Christine Morgan; Peggie Morgan; Desiree Marsh and the Sanford Enrichment Center for their genuine love for our mother providing support for her everyday needs.

The family thanks all who have called, visited, helped and supported us through this difficult time. With love in our hearts, we would ask for additional time to honor our loved one personally and respectfully. There will be no repast.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Mrs. Helen E. Hicks
August 2, 1930 ~ January 23, 2023



FUNERAL SERVICE

Sunday, January 29th, 2023—1:00PM
Works For Christ Christian Center
1395 Firetower Road
Sanford, North Carolina 27330

Drs. Lewis and Alice Hooker, Pastors
Pastor Alveolus Smith, Eulogist
Pastor Clyde Watson, Officiating

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Selection.....The Hicks Sisters

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament.....Pastor Barbara Carnegie

New Testament Beatrice Smith

Prayer of Comfort.....Bishop Richard Carnegie

Selection.....The Hicks Sisters

Acknowledgements/ Obituary Reading.....Mrs. Tasha Bland

Remarks.....(Limit 5 People) 2 Minutes Each

Family Tribute

Mr. Wallace "Buddy" Hicks

Mr. Perry "PJ" Nathan Hicks Jr.

Eulogy..... Pastor Alveolus Smith

Restored, Healed & Delivered Ministries

Sanford, North Carolina

Selection.....The Hicks Sisters

Recessional

Interment

Lee Memory Gardens
2600 Hawkins Avenue
Sanford, North Carolina 27330



Obituary



Helen Lee Hicks was born on August 2nd, 1930, in Lillington, NC to the late Willie and Caroline Ellba, formerly McLean. Helen began her education attending Shawtown School in Lillington, NC and graduated in 1949. After completing high school, Helen briefly attended Shaw University in Raleigh, NC majoring in Home Economics. Helen returned home to help on the family farm.

In 1953, Helen met the love of her life, Mr. Wallace Lee Hicks. Wallace was a soldier in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1976. Helen and Wallace were joined in marriage on February 13, 1956.

From this union, they had three children Melinda, Wallace, and Perry. Helen was a proud Army Wife and was stationed at Fort Knox, KY; Fort Monroe, VA; Fort Meade, MD; Nurnburg, Germany, ending with a tour at Fort Rucker, AL. During this time, Helen became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, a substitute teacher, and employed at Henly-Roberts Childcare Center in Lillington, NC for several years. In 1973, Helen changed careers and began employment with Coty, Inc. in Sanford, NC. Helen began working at Coty as a General Production Worker. After 19 years of employment with Coty, Helen retired in 1991. Because of her dedication to her job, her husband Wallace would jokingly say to Helen "you act like you have the keys to Coty."

Helen had several hobbies such as gardening, sewing, and preparing delicious meals for family and friends. Helen loved GOD and had a strong devotion to church and her community. Early in life, Helen worked and lead several committees at Chapel Hill A.M.E. Zion Church. She later attended New Zion Baptist Church with her husband Wallace for several years. Helen rejoined Chapel Hill A.M.E. Zion Church from 2006 to 2016. After 2016, Helen worshipped faithfully at Love, Faith & Power Christian Ministry and Restored, Healed and Delivered Ministry. Helen served as the "Mother" of Restored, Healed and Delivered Ministry in Sanford, NC, until her health prevented her from attending regularly.

Helen was preceded in homegoing by her husband, Wallace, mother and father, Willie and Caroline and her siblings, John-Reggie, Lena Belle, Love Maria, and Josie Mildred.

Helen leaves to cherish her memories, her children: Melinda Hicks Brewington (Billy Sr.), Sanford, NC; Wallace "Buddy" Hicks (Tina), Dallas, TX; and Perry Hicks (Theresa), Oklahoma City, OK; three grandchildren: Perry Hicks, Jr. (Bita), San Diego, CA; Karmen Hicks, Oklahoma City, OK; and Shonta Williams (Michael), Fayetteville, NC; three great grandchildren: Jayden, Cyrus, and Darius; one sister: Beulah Mar Locklear, Sanford NC; one sister-in-law, Dillie Douglas, Louisville, KY; one special goddaughter, Stephanie Gupton Bell, Raleigh, NC and a hosts of nieces, nephews, family and friends.