

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

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Acknowledgements

The family of the late Lillian Carter Lawton wishes to express thier deep and sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness exteneded to them during this most diffcult time. Your many gestures have made this time easier to bear. May God continue to bless each of you.

Special thanks to the Mt. Tabor Baptist Church Family, family and friends, Caregivers, niece Mrs. Lorraine Carter, and a special friend Mrs. Rosa Washington.



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CELEBRATING THE
LEGACY *of*



Sister
Lillian
CARTER LAWTON
06.29.1924—10.30.2022

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022—2:00 PM

MOUNT TABOR BAPTIST CHURCH
ALLENDALE, SOUTH CAROLINA
PASTOR ROSEVELT SEASE, EULOGIST

Profile of Life

Lillian Carter Lawton was born June 29, 1924 to the late Curtis and Sataro Gooze Carter in Appleton, South Carolina.

At a young age, she became a faithful member of the Galilee Baptist Church, where she attended Sunday School and worship service, sang on the choir, represented her church at Conventions and Associations.

Lillian received her early schooling at Allendale Training School and the Mather Academy in Beaufort, South Carolina. After her graduation she attended Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia where she received a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree in Education.

After the completion of her college education, Lillian came back to Allendale County and was united in marriage to Mr. Leroy Lawton on December 20, 1953. She began her teaching career in 1954 in schools across Allendale and Barnwell counties. Lillian retired from teaching in 1986. After retirement, she became the pianist for the Cave Funeral Services under the direction of the late Mr. Charlie Cave.

Mrs. Lawton became a faithful member with the Mt. Tabor Baptist Church after marrying Mr. Lawton, where she served in various capacities such as the Church Pianist, Church Treasurer, President of the Missionary Society, Past Secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary, and Past Youth Advisor for the Young Girls Association.

You Never Said Goodbye

*You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye.
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knew why.*

*A million times we needed you,
A million times we cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.*

*In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home*

Our Mother, Our Angel

*We look back on memories we forgot we had,
And at times we'll smile even though it hurts so bad.
Our Mother was a special woman and no one can take her place,
We'll find a piece of mind when you remember her smiling face.
Our Mother is an angel now she flies high above the rest,
and in our hearts always and forever she will be the best.
She has earned her wings and it's time for her to fly,
Lords knows it hurts, no one is ever ready to say good-bye.
We know she understands that we cry for her at night,
But as we finally drift off to sleep, we let her memory hold us tight.
She will be our guardian angel for the rest of our life,
Helping lead us on the path between what's wrong and what's right.
Our Mother loved us so very much and her love will always remain true,
We don't believe for a moment that our Mother will forget us.
Our Mother's love is like no other in the whole world,
She has left us the most wonderful memories of being her children.
She has taken them with her as she's flown away,
Up to Heaven free of pain which is her new home to stay.
So, although, we can't see her and we wish she could be here,
Our Mother can always hear us and she will always care.
A Mother does not forget the two greatest loves of her life,
And she loved nothing more than being our Mother, all of her life.
She is so proud of our family and that's in her heart to stay,
Even though she's an angel and has to fly away.
So, as we cry tears and remember your Godly love,
Being sent to us from you, from the beautiful Heaven above.
She was there through our good times, she was there during the bad,
She'll be there when we're happy, she'll be there when we're sad.
Our Mother has become an angel now, it is time to fly,
And you will never know how bad it hurts
us to have to say good-bye.*

Loving Children

(Y.G.A.) She also was a faithful member of St. Mark/Mt. Calvary Choir Union. She also service as pianist at Simpson United Methodist Church of Allendale, SC.

Mrs. Lawton was a faithful member of several community organizations, where she participated on various committees. She was a member of the Allendale.

County Retired Educators' Association. Listed are just few of the recognitions and honors which she received for her service. April 19, 2017 received Distinguished Service Award, April 25, 2017 was recognized by both houses of the SC Congress for Outstanding Citizen of South Carolina. July 08, 2017 received from Allendale County Schools Board of Trustees Distinguished Service Award.

She also received a "Lifetime of Service Award" from the Allendale County

African-American Culture Center. She served as secretary of the Allendale County Democratic Party.

As a retired educator, Mrs. Lawton touched the lives of many students, she exemplified the true meaning of being a leader who loved helping others and was loved by many, especially her family, friends and former students.

On Sunday, October 30, 2022 Mrs. Lawton peacefully slipped away to be with the Lord at Pruitt Health in Barnwell, South Carolina.

Mrs. Lawton was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and three sisters. Her memories will forever be cherished by her brother Mr. Curtis (Sarah) Carter Fairfax SC. One sister Mrs. Elease Payden -Spartanburg SC. Brother-in-law Mr. Leroy Junior-New York. Sister-in-law Mrs. Edna Lawton -Virginia. Sister-in-law Mrs. Evelyn Lawton-Allendale SC, Stepson Mr. Alfonso Walker-Atlanta GA.; a host of nieces, nephews, devoted cousins and loving friends.

The Order of Service

Rev. Glen Orr, Presiding

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Musical Prelude

Processional.....Viewing

Hymn..... “Pass Me Not”.....Choir

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament.....*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*.....Rev. B.J. Donaldson

New Testament.....*2 Corinthians 5:1-10*.....Rev. Barney Glover

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Wayne Bennett

Selection..... “At The Cross”

Reflections (2 minutes, please)

Family.....Arnetta Graham

Friend.....Hulem..Lottie Lewis

Church.....Dea. Melvin Youmans

As We Knew Her.....Cecil Payton & Gail Payton Floyd

Resolutions.....Retired Educators Association—Sis. Evelyn Smith Smart

Allendale County Democratic Party—Professor Wilda J. Robinson

Acknowledgements & Condolences.....B.F. Cave Funeral Home

Solo.....Rochelle Manuel

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Rosevelt Sease

Committal

Benediction

Recessional



...precious memories...

