

***Order of Service***  
***Reverend Jarvis Thompson, Presiding***

Prelude -----  
Processional -----Clergy, Family and Friends  
Opening Hymn----- Rock Hill Baptist Church  
Scriptures -----Reverend Barzelle Manning  
Old Testament  
New Testament  
Prayer of Comfort -----Reverend Barzelle Manning  
Selection ----- Rock Hill Baptist Church Choir  
Reflections-----2 Minutes, Please -----  
Selection ----- Rock Hill Baptist Church  
Words of Comfort -----Reverend Jarvis Thompson  
Recessional -----Funeral Directors

**Committal Rites and Presentation**  
Rock Hill Baptist Church Cemetery  
Winnsboro, SC 29180

**Repast:** Rock Hill Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

**Floral Bearers**  
Granddaughters  
Nieces

**Pall Bearers**  
Grandsons  
Nephews

**Acknowledgements**

The family of Beatrice Canty Richardson wishes to express their sincere gratitude to each of you for the many loving and wonderful acts of kindness shown during their time of bereavement. Thank you for your overwhelming support of love, sympathy, and prayers. They pray that God will continue to grant his many blessings upon each of you.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Heartland of Columbia Rehabilitation and Nursing Center and Agape Hospice for the superb care given to Mrs. Richardson.



**Nelson's Funeral Home**  
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**IN LOVING**  
*Memory*



**Mrs. Beatrice Canty Richardson**  
March 23, 1933 – July 24, 2023

Saturday, July 29, 2023  
11:00 A.M.

Rock Hill Baptist Church  
2396 River Road  
Winnsboro, SC 29180

Reverend Jarvis Thompson, Pastor



## Obituary



### If Tears Could Build a Stairway

If tears could build a stairway,  
And memories a lane.  
I would walk right up to Heaven  
And bring you back again.  
No farewell words were spoken,  
No time to say "Goodbye,"  
You were gone before I knew it,  
And only God knows why.  
My heart still aches with sadness,  
And secret tears still flow.  
What it meant to love you ~  
No one can ever know.  
But now I know you want me  
To mourn for you no more;  
To remember all the happy times  
Life still has much in store.  
Since you'll never be forgotten I  
pledge to you today ~  
A hollowed place within my heart  
Is where you'll always stay.  
**Author – Mike Ponikarski**

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." II Timothy 4:7-8*

Mrs. Beatrice Canty Richardson transitioned peacefully early Monday morning, July 24, 2023 at Heartland of Columbia Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Beatrice was born in Fairfield County, South Carolina on March 23, 1933 to the late Frank and Jannie Tillman Canty. She was blessed to live for 90 years.

At an early age, Beatrice joined and became a member of Rock Hill Baptist Church in Winnsboro, South Carolina. She loved God, her family, and her church. Beatrice was a housewife, a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, niece, and cousin who was loved by all. She will be greatly missed.

Beatrice, affectionately known as "Bea" by many, leaves to cherish her memories, two daughters, Lucille R. (David) Hare and Shirley R. (Melvin) Jones; one daughter-in-law, Floreid Richardson all of Ridgeway, SC; eleven grandchildren, Erica Jones (Merio) Bryant of Swanee, GA, Melvin Jones, Jr. of Charlotte, NC, Kimberly Yates of Blythewood, SC, Quincy Jones of Laurel, MD, Jarrick (Brittany) Jones of Youngsville, NC, David Hare, Jr., Derrick Hare, Brian (Dalynn) Hare all of Spartanburg, SC; Ricky Anderson, Jr. of Rock Hill, SC, Brittany Johnson and Reggie Elgin of Ridgeway, SC; nine great-grandchildren, Richiano Davion Anderson, Demarcus Hare, Jarrunis Yates, Krislyn Yates, Skylar Bryant, Levi Bryant, Nolan Hare, Jarrick Jones, Jr., and Brynn Jones; one sister, Etta Mae (James) Rice of Great Falls, SC; one brother, Clarence Canty of Columbia, SC and Martha Canty of Blackstock, SC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, Beatrice was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence Richardson, Sr.; two sons, Clarence Richardson, Jr. and Harvey Lee Richardson; one daughter, Janie Bell Richardson Anderson; four brothers; two sisters; and one granddaughter, Yolanda Hare.

### "I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch  
If my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

**Author – Anne Lindgren Davison**