

# *Celebration of Life*



**Call Her Blessed!**

*Mrs. Carrie Lee Blackwell Davis*  
*"Granny"*

**March 25, 1919 - February 6, 2016**

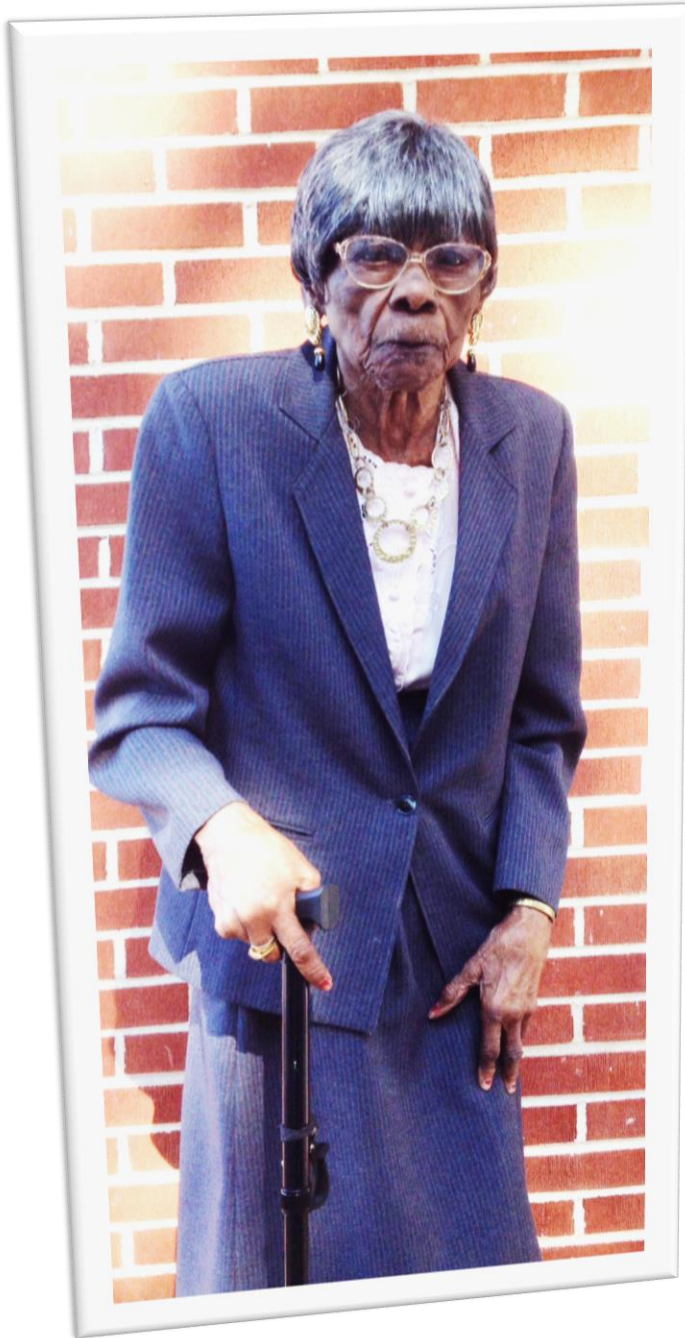
Sunday, February 14, 2016  
Two O'clock in the Afternoon

Carlton Grove Baptist Church  
1260 Petersburg Road  
Elberton, Georgia 30635

Pastor H. L. Dotson, Officiant

# The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 (KJV)



Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that  
Trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
And the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.

Amen.

*Gruddy's Favorite Prayer*

# The Virtuous Woman

## **Proverbs 31:10-31 (KJV)**

<sup>10</sup> Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.

<sup>11</sup> The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

<sup>12</sup> She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

<sup>13</sup> She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

<sup>14</sup> She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

<sup>15</sup> She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

<sup>16</sup> She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

<sup>17</sup> She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

<sup>18</sup> She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night.

<sup>19</sup> She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

<sup>20</sup> She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

<sup>21</sup> She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

<sup>22</sup> She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple.

<sup>23</sup> Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

<sup>24</sup> She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

<sup>25</sup> Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

<sup>26</sup> She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

<sup>27</sup> She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

<sup>28</sup> Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.

<sup>29</sup> Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.

<sup>30</sup> Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

<sup>31</sup> Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.



*Mrs. Carrie Lee Davis*

*"Granny"*



# Obituary of a Life Well-Lived

Mrs. Carrie Lee Davis

"Granny"

**On a Tuesday in early spring,** God blessed the world with the birth of one of His loveliest creations. 'Earth Angel' Carrie Lee Blackwell Davis was born on March 25, 1919 in Elberton, Georgia to the late Joe and Mary Blackwell. She was the eighth of eleven children born to this union.

## Her Faith ...

A perfect portrait of a true anointed woman of God. Carrie Lee Blackwell Davis served as an active and faithful member of Carlton Grove Baptist as a lifelong member. Her favorite prayer was *'The Lord's Prayer'* and her favorite hymn was "Sweet, Sweet Spirit". She was always found sitting up front praising God for the blessings she had received. Her faith did not waiver even in times of sickness she remained a tiny soldier for the Lord.

## Her Family ...

As the loving matriarch of her family, the application of Godly 'family life' principles meant everything in her household. She understood that one of the primary principles of the family unit is that it involves a commitment ordained by God for a lifetime of the members. She accepted her God-given role.

## Her Spirit ...

The inner unseen force within her was a quiet storm of strength, power, life and love for others! It was evident that she encompassed a unique and divine beauty. The Lord was gracious unto her and HIS favor was upon her ... ***"Call Her Blessed!"***

## Her Body of Work...

She loved cooking, gardening and watching old western movies. She loved family trips, family gatherings and especially loved family celebrations. Carrie was no stranger to hard work and retired from Eaves Packing Company after many years. After retirement, she worked part-time providing light housekeeping services to several personal clients.

## Her Legacy of Love...

Preceded in death by her beloved husband of 50 years, the late Mr. Jim "Buck" Davis and her beloved daughter, the late Jimmie Mae Davis Martin. She is survived by siblings: Tennie Blackwell (Cincinnati, OH) and Ola B. Heard (Elberton); wonderful granddaughter Priscilla Davis Sims, grandson-in-law Michael Sims, great-grandson Ali Rashad Xyman Jones (all of Bethlehem, GA); son-in law Vanderbilt Martin (Elberton), granddaughter Rhonda Callaway (Elberton) and a host of loving cousins, nieces and nephews.

The angels of the Lord have prepared the way and have welcomed Mother Carrie Lee Davis "Granny" to her eternal home. On this day, we give God all the praise and glory as we celebrate the life of this honorable, highly favored woman of God. Let us honor her life and her legacy of love with remembrance and appreciation. For she was a part of each of our life's journey and because of that... ***"We Are Blessed!"***



# Order of Service

Musical Prelude		
Processional		Clergy, Family, Attendants
Musical Selection		Brother Robert Mattox & Choir
Opening Prayer		Rev. Luther Mahoney
Scriptural Readings:		
	Old Testament	Rev. Horace Ellison
	New Testament	Rev. Mac Hughes
Musical Selection	<i>"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"</i>	Pastor H.L. Dotson
Expressions of Remembrance		
	Mother Dorothy Murray	Sister Janie Bone, Cousin
	Sister Diane Perrin, Great Niece	Mrs. Lottie Crow, Caregiver
	Sister Cassandra Evans, Special Friend	
Obituary (Silently Read)		Soft Music
Acknowledgements		Sister LaSheka Fortson, Great Niece
Words of Comfort		Pastor H.L. Dotson
Musical Selection		Brother Mattox & Choir
Closing Prayer		Pastor H. L. Dotson

Recessional

## Interment

Carlton Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

## Repast

Immediately following Interment  
 Mount Calvary Life Center  
 204 Williams Street  
 Elberton, Georgia



# Expressions of Love



*From Mrs. Carrie's Great-Grandbaby  
Ali Rashad Xyman Jones*

"I love you Granny. I'll always have a place in my heart for the special little lady that raised me. I will see you on the other side."

*From Mrs. Carrie's Beloved Granddaughter & Personal Caretaker  
Priscilla Davis Sims*



"Today, Valentine's Day, is fitting for your Home Going Celebration. You are my Sweetheart ... My Queen. My heart aches with pain from deep within my soul. I didn't want to imagine a 'tomorrow' without you.

Your values, integrity and principles will help us in our daily path. Most of all – Your love for God, Jehovah, the Almighty is a testimony to his promises and will echo within us.

I know you are resting now. Go join my other Sweetheart and Angel: your daughter, my Mom: Jimmie Mae."

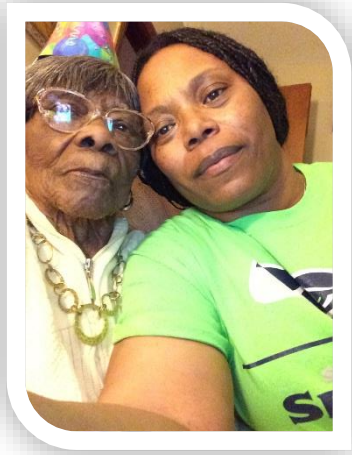
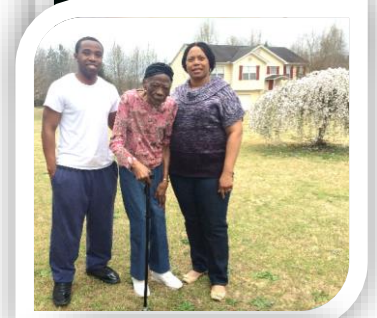
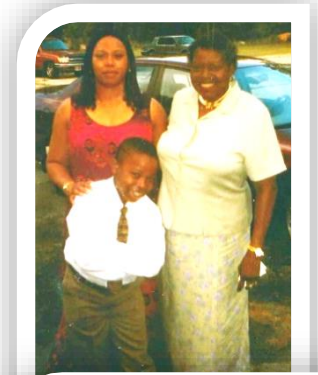
**"I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7)**

*From Granddaughter - Rhonda Callaway*

## The Broken Chain

Little did we know that morning, that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly ... In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone, for part of us went with you, the day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.



## Casket Bearers

### Active

Bro. Herschel Goolsby  
Bro. Glenn Smith  
Bro. Spencer Wilbon

Bro. Thomas Newman  
Bro. Felton Teasley

### Honorary

Carlton Grove Board of Deacons

## Flower Bearers

### Active

Sis. Tammy Allen  
Sis. Melesa Gary  
Sis. Peggy Rucker

Sis. Rhonda Callaway  
Sis. Brenda Evans  
Sis. Doris White

### Honorary

Carlton Grove Mothers' Board

## Ushers

Carlton Grove Baptist Church  
Fortson Grove Baptist Church



## Acknowledgements

Ali, Michael, Rhonda and I would like to express our most sincere gratitude for your kindness, comfort, caring, calls, cards and generous gifts in our time of bereavement. We know that God is ... that God will meet Granny on the other side and we will see her again. May God abundantly bless you for your love and many, many acts of kindness. Thank you again.

*-Priscilla Davis Sims and Family*

## Final Care & Services Entrusted to

Mack's Funeral Home – Elberton  
320 College Street  
Elberton, Georgia  
706.283.4566

## Program

Waller Creative Designs  
Ellenwood, Georgia