

A Mother's Love

A Mother's love is something
That no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
And of sacrifice and pain.



It is endless and unselfish
And enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it
Or take that love away . . .

It is patient and forgiving
When all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters
Even though the heart is breaking . . .

It believes beyond believing
When the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty
Of the rarest, brightest gems . . .

It is far beyond defining,
It defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret
Like the mysteries of creation . . .



A many splendored miracle
Man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence
Of God's tender guiding hand.

- HELEN STEINER RICE

Flower Bearers

Nieces, Family and Friends

Pall Bearers

Nephews, Family and Friends

Laughter of the Heart

Hazel's (aka Madea's) Style

"Call me! You know my name and you know my number!"

"What you eat don't make me s_ _!"

"You think a black cow won't give white milk, don't you!"

"The devil is a lie and the truth ain't in you!"

"If you get it, you gone have to take it!"

"Don't make me get my 7 friends (bullets)!"

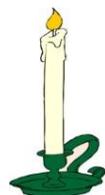
"Something might be wrong with my legs, but ain't nothing wrong with my trigger finger!"

"Don't write a check your a_ _ can't cash!"

"Pay me or you gone pay the doctor!"

"Tell them to charge it to Tonto and let Lone Ranger pay for it!"

RIP "Badcat"



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"An Eternal Flame of Remembrance"

Homegoing Celebration

for

Hazel Flannigan Richardson

December 27, 1948 – October 1, 2020



Saturday, October 10, 2020

2:00 p.m.

**Iva Civic Center
204 W. Jackson St.
Iva, SC 29655**

**Rev. Annette Mathis, Pastor/Presiding
Rev. Donnie Cobb, Officiating**

Order of Service

And we know that all things work together for the good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

Prelude..... Instrumentalist.....Mike Boseman

Processional.....Ministers and Family

Selection.....Dem Quartet Boyz

Scripture Reading.....Rev. Marie Hunter

Prayer.....Rev. Eddie Thompson

Selection.....Visionaires

Remarks.....2 minutes

Selection.....Gospel Believers

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Donnie Cobb

Committal Service.....Rev. Annette Mathis



Acknowledgments

The family wishes to thank you for your prayers, thoughts, and acts of kindness during our time of loss. A very special thanks to Cathy Warnsley and Debbie Truesdale for transporting Mom to her appointments.



Obituary

Hazel F. Richardson started her music journey at an early age. Singing at Cross Road CME and Holly Creek Baptist Church as a young adult. She admired the piano and eventually began her tutelage under the direction of Fannie McCoppin while learning to play by ear. The combination of singing and playing allowed her to expand her love for music and fine tune her voice under Louis Rainey tutelage. She established groups like the Heaven Jubilees. She organized and sponsored programs throughout the Foothills, especially in Anderson County. Her work as a Press Operator at Iva Dry Cleaners, afforded her the unique opportunity to outfit many of the local Gospel groups.

Maybe you heard her sing or just saw her in the audience at a church program. Her love for Gospel music was obvious and never faltering. She put her hands to the plow, using Gospel music as a catalyst. She helped church organizations, the Cancer Society, the homeless and hunger programs, as well as back to school programs to raise money.

Hazel F. Richardson's name resounded in this community as a "Mom" to the young and young at heart. To so many, her home was a place you could get a delicious meal because she was a great cook, who enjoyed and wanted everyone to leave her home with a full belly. She will certainly be missed but not forgotten.

Hazel Flanningan Richardson was born and raised in Iva, SC. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. James C. Richardson, Jr. and her parents, V.C. Flanningan and Nellie Moore Flanningan; her sisters, Barbara A. Flanningan, Alice Fair, and Catherine Bell; a brother, James (Hut) Gray and a step-daughter, Linda Faye Jones.

She is survived by her three daughters, Patricia A. Flanningan of Iva, SC, Denise Tucker of Belmont, NC, and Latisha (Miles) Slaughter, of Anderson, SC; three sons, Anthony Richardson of Anderson, SC, David (Tracy) Richardson of Iva, SC, and Antonio Richardson of Duncan, SC; one step-son, Gary Willingham; one brother, Roy (Nina) Moore of Jacksonville, FL, one step-brother, Vincent Flanningan; her sisters-in-law, Ruby Richardson and Annie Mary Thomas of Anderson, SC, Cora F. Webster of Brandywine, Maryland, and Dorothy Richardson of Greenville, NC; brothers-in-law, Lester Richardson of Elberton, GA, John (Marie) Richardson, and Joe Willie of Anderson, SC; seventeen grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives; devoted and special friends, Harry Simpson, Marie Richardson, Minnie L. Scott, Debbie Thompson, and Edna Scott.