

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family would like to express our sincere thanks for your prayers, phone calls, kind words, flowers, cards and all acts of kindness showed to us during our time of bereavement. Special Thanks to Pine Meadows Rehabilitation Center and Staff for caring for our loved one. It is our prayer that God will continue to bless and keep you.

The Bufford Family

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Johnathan Norment
Timothy Winters
Alphonso Bass

Travis Norment
John Hill, Jr.
Eric Bufford

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Percy Winters
David Winters
Mario Hill

Tracy Winters
Lynn Winters
Barry Hill

FLOWER BEARERS

Granddaughters and Great Granddaughters

INTERMENT

Bolivar Community Cemetery
398 E. McNeal Street | Bolivar, TN 38008

REPAST

Tate Road Church of Christ
622 N. Union Street | Bolivar, TN 38003

SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

Dixie Funeral Home
750 Bills Street | Bolivar, TN 38008

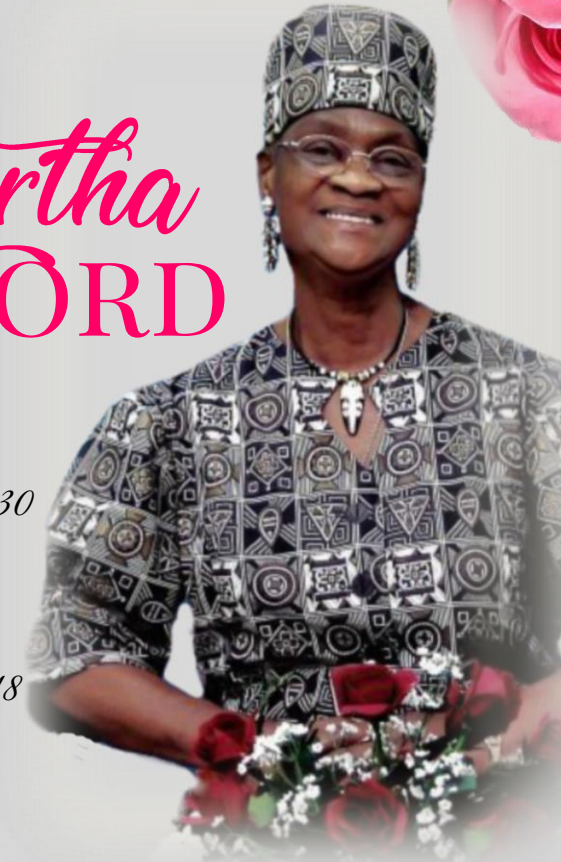
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CELEBRATION OF LIFE, LOVE & SPIRIT

Martha
BUFFORD



SUNRISE

February 27, 1930



SUNSET

December 7, 2018

Saturday, December 15, 2018
1:00 PM

Tate Road Church of Christ
622 N. Union Street | Bolivar, TN 38003

Rev. Larry A. Prince, Officiating



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Life

Life is just a stepping-stone
A pause before we make it home
A simple place to rest and be,
Until we reach eternity.
Everyone has a life journey,
A path to take with lots to see
God guides our steps along the way,
But we were never meant to stay.

Our final destination is a place
Filled with love, His majesty and grace.
Today we celebrate the life of a loved one
Who has gone before us, the race she has won.
Her journey has now ended,
Her spirit has ascended
Claiming the great reward
With Jesus, our Lord.

ORDER OF SERVICE



I N L O V I N G M E M O R Y O F



Life Well Lived

A life well lived is a precious gift,
of hope and strength and grace,
from someone who has made our world
a brighter, better place.

It's filled with moments,
sweet and sad with smiles and sometimes tears,
with friendships formed and good times shared,
and laughter through the years.

A life well lived is a legacy,
of joy and pride and pleasure,
a living, lasting memory
our grateful heart's will treasure.

- Author Unknown



Processional	Family & Friends
Final Viewing	
Song	Charles Bass (Son-in-law)
Scripture	
Prayer	
Song	Ocie Holmes (Sister)
Words of Comfort	Rev. Jeffery Bufford Mays Chapel MB Church Antioch, TN
Song	Christine Winters (Daughter)
Remarks	2 Minutes Please
Family	Nadine Green (Sister)
Church	Bro. George Dotson
Friend	
Resolutions & Acknowledgements	
Song	Congregational Song
Eulogy	Rev. Larry Prince
Song	Congregational Song
Morticians in Charge	
Recessional	

Martha's Story.....1930 - 2018

Today we gather to honor and celebrate the life of Martha Bufford. A mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, sister, friend, church member, and mother-in-law.

Martha Bufford was born February 27, 1930, in Hardeman County to the late Bessie Bufford Robertson and the late Johnny Dotson. She made her earthly transition on December 7, 2018, to her peaceful eternal home, Heaven.

Martha accepted Christ at an early age. She was a member of the Clover Garden CME Church for many years, and later baptized into Christ and served as a faithful member of Tate Road Church of Christ until her health failed. Martha attended school in the Hardeman County School System. She was very creative and talented. Sewing was one of her creative passions. She made her first dress from a pattern she made out of newspaper. She loved gardening, planting flowers in all seasons and participating with the Bolivar Senior Citizen. She never met a stranger, she befriended anyone she came in contact with. She was also a foster grandparent for Southwest Human Resource Agency for many years.

Martha was known for always looking her best; showing off her suits, dressing up in African attire that she had beautifully sewn, wearing hats and her skinny jeans. She expressed many times "I don't have much, but I can still look good and when I go to Heaven I'm going to be looking good." She loved to eat fish on Friday's. She was passionate about family. She had a smile that would light up a room, like a ray of sunshine especially when she saw her grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren that she had been blessed with.

In her early adult years, she was known for reciting spiritual poems at churches and loved singing "Doctor Watts" hymns. She would often say "God has been good to me, I'm Blessed, I might be crippled up with arthritis, but I don't hurt, I'm not in pain and I've lived a good life."

For a short time, Martha was united in holy matrimony to Robert Lee Hill; to this union, one child was born.

Martha was preceded in death by both parents, Bessie Bufford Robertson and Johnny Dotson; six sisters, Edna Mae Bufford, Betty Jane Wilson, Mary Allen (her twin), Qunicella Sails, Gertrude Tate, and Opal Lee Henning; seven brothers, Jessie James Polk, Willie Ray Bufford, Otha Ray Bufford, Thomas Earl Bufford, Jonathan Robertson, Samuel Bufford, and Willie Andrew Bufford; one son, Albert "BoHog" (Heidi) Bufford; three grandchildren, Clay Bufford, Anthony Bufford, and Kimberly Green; three great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Martha leaves to cherish her memory: five loving daughters, Dorothy Marie Pearce of Whiteville, TN, Christine Winters of Stanton, TN, Martha Jean Bass (Charles) of Denver, CO, Earnestine Bufford of Denver, CO, and Judy (Mike) Fuller of Bolivar, TN; two loving sons, John (Dean) Hill of Whiteville, TN, and Vernard (Wynema) Bufford of Denver, CO; one brother, Jonny B. Dodson of Milwaukee, WI; three sisters; Pearlie Mae Bufford of Brownsville, TN, Ocie (James) Holmes of Whiteville, TN, and Nadine Green of Whiteville, TN. Martha also leaves to cherish her loving memory twenty-six grandchildren, thirty-eight great-grandchildren, eight great-great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and a dear companion for many years, Albert Ragland.