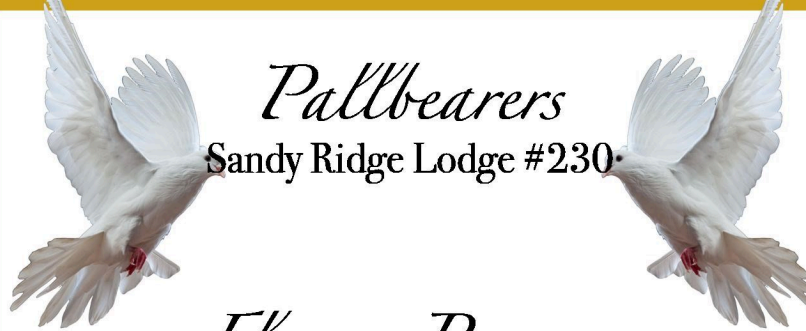




## *Momma*

On March 7, 1989, you gave me an opportunity at life. Even though the doctors told you to have an abortion, you did what God told you was right. I don't know what I am going to do now that you are gone, But for daddy, your loving husband, I promise to be strong. I know that Travis, Reggie, Stevie, and Derrick have my back, but I know through God's grace and mercy, He is going to help me out with all of that. I love you Ma, because you were who you were no matter who was around. Forever will I keep your legacy alive, because I have to hold you down. No matter what I did you always thought the best of me and I promise to continue to make you proud because that is always what you expected from me. It's not goodbye I'll just see you a little later upon God's throne where I know that our eternal reward is much greater. It's a nightmare that has turned into reality because I didn't think that you were going to leave me so soon but you did your job on this earthly home and God cleared your space in Heaven for your room. R.I.P. Ma until we meet again and I am going to continue to do the things that I have to do to make it in.

Always and Forever  
The Baby  
Justin



## *Pallbearers*

Sandy Ridge Lodge #230

## *Flower Bearers*

Ushers

## *Acknowledgment*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
Or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent those beautiful flowers,  
That we saw sitting there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,  
As any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
Just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts  
We thank you so much for whatever part.



## *Mitchell*

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE



"ICEY"

# *Inez Saunders*

DECEMBER 24, 1946 - NOVEMBER 2, 2018

*-Service of Love-*

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 | 12 Noon

MACEDONIA CHURCH OF CHRIST, DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Poplar Branch, North Carolina

Bishop Mack Freshwater, *Officiating*  
Reverend Reginald Saunders, *Eulogist*





# Order of Service



Prelude



Processional

Opening Hymn

Old Testament.....Minister

New Testament.....Elder T.J. Etheridge

Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Curtis Brinkley

Solo.....Pastor Sharay Wilder

Church Resolution.....Angeroni Saunders

Reflections.....Two Minutes Please

Reading of the Obituary.....Angeroni Saunders

Solo.....Reverend Roger Green

Eulogy.....Reverend Reginald Saunders

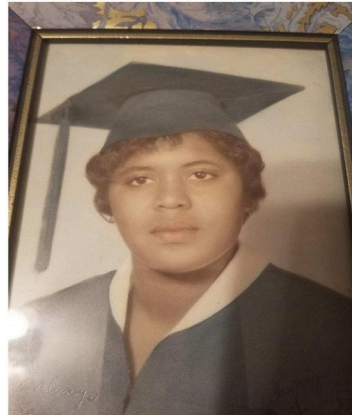
Mortician's Brief.....

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Recessional

## Interment

OWENS FAMILY CEMETERY  
Bertha, North Carolina



# The Obituary

Mrs. Icey Inez Owens Saunders, daughter of the late William Owens and Icey Owens of Bertha, North Carolina, went into eternal rest on the morning of November 2, 2018. She was affectionately known to many as Inez. Inez attended Currituck Union School in Barco, North Carolina and would always remind everyone about her graduation class, the class of '66. On October 1, 1967 Inez married the love of her life, Leon Saunders, Jr. To this union five sons were born. Deacon Saunders and Inez just celebrated 51 years of hard times and good times, but they weathered the storm. She was always known for her humor and she always kept something going. Inez never met any strangers everywhere she went she made herself at home. Everyday she woke up her first question was "Where is my newspaper?" and "Make sure somebody get the mail" and last but not least "Don't touch my puzzlebook." Her loving spirit and the joy she brought to many will surely be missed. Inez joined Macedonia Church of Christ at an early age and remained a faithful member until her health declined.

Inez leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband of 51 years, Deacon Leon Saunders, Jr. of the home; five sons, Travis Saunders of Louisburg, NC, Reverend Reginald Saunders of Grandy, NC, Steven Saunders, Sr. of Kill Devil Hills, NC, Derrick Saunders of the home, and Justin Saunders of Grandy, NC; mother, Icey Owens of Bertha, NC; brother, Vernon Owens of Raleigh, NC; two sisters, Shirley Moore and Jean Wideman of Bertha, NC; three brothers-in-law, William Saunders (Mary) of Fayetteville, NC, Wilford Saunders of Fayetteville, NC, and Carlton Saunders (Valorie) of Los Gatos, CA; sister-in-law, Barbara Griffin of Cary, NC; six grandchildren, whom she loved dearly, Tanisha, Steven, Angel, Kaylee, Logan, and Jazmine; seven great grandchildren, who was dear to her heart, Aaliyah, Anthony, Trinity, Damonic, Kolbie, Jayshan, and Kayden; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She also leaves some friends, who she talked to daily, her classmates of '66 and Mrs. Gloria Williams. Inez was preceded in death by her father, William Owens; one brother, William Owens; and great grandchild, Elijah Blue Saunders.