

A Heavenly Celebration Of Life
For

Mrs.

Gusta
Mae Lanier

Watkins



June 10, 1951 - April 15, 2019

Saturday, April 20, 2019
1:00 P.M.

St. Paul M.B. Church
689 King St. - Brownsville, Tennessee
Pastor Billy Johnson, Officiating

Life' Reflections

Gusta Mae Lanier Watkins was born June 10, 1951 in Haywood County, TN to, the late, Charlie Dawson Lanier and Alma Lanier. She departed this life on Monday, April 15, 2019 at Bells Nursing Home in Bells, TN.

She confessed a hope in Christ at an early age at Mercer Baptist Church. Later in life she became a loyal and dedicated member at St. Paul M.B. Church where she served as an Usher until her health failed.

Gusta attended the public schools in Haywood County. She was employed at Picksweet in Bells, TN for 20 plus years. She was also employed with the Haywood County School System for many years.

She was married to Paul Watkins, Jr., who preceded her in death. To this union four children were born. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Rose A. Watkins and her four brothers, Charles, James, Roger, and Joe Lanier.

Sweet memories are cherished by her children, Mary (Leon) Crisp of Whiteville, TN, Anita Watkins of Brownsville, TN, Ronald (Trell) Watkins of Norfolk, VA; three sisters, Dianne, Paulette and Abbie Lanier, all of Brownsville, TN; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, two sisters-in-law, Liz Lanier, Mansfield, OH and Felicia Lanier, Memphis, TN, one special aunt, Lila Lanier, Mansfield, OH, a special friend, Mrs. Mary Walker who she helped care for until her own health failed, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Celebration Service

Processional Soft Music

~ ~ Final Viewing ~ ~

Scripture & Prayer Pastor Nathan Crisp

Selection St. Paul Choir

Words of Comfort Pastor F.R. Williamson

Remarks Family & Friends
(2 Minutes Please)

Reflections of Life Read Silently

~ ~ Acknowledgments & Resolutions ~ ~
Sis. Deborah Woods

Selection St. Paul Choir

Eulogy Pastor Billy Johnson

~ ~ Currie's Funeral Home In Charge ~ ~

Recessional Soft Music



To My Children and Grandchildren . . .

Don't spend too much time in mourning, tears are for the sad. I left to be with Jesus, and this should make you glad. Don't waste your hours in grieving, no need to feel distress. I'm tired of life's frustrations and had to get some rest. Don't vex yourselves with questions, or try to reason why, life here for me was ended; it came my time to die. Don't lose the love I gave you; feed it with your care, grow it with devotion and spread it everywhere. Don't fret because my leaving came in such a way, we'll have another meeting, in God's Eternal Day!



"Sleep Our Sister"

We wish you sweet sleep our dear sister, although there's so much that you've left us to bare. We hate you had to endure so much pain. We want you to know we love and miss you dearly. Little did we know that morning God was calling you home. 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. You left us rich memories, your love and wisdom is still our guide, and though we cannot see you, we will feel your presence by our side. Our family chain is broken and our family is not the same, but in eternity we know . . . the chain will link again.

Love, Your Sisters,
Dianne, Paulette, and Abbie



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Our hearts are filled with profound and sincere gratitude o our many friends for their kind thoughts, visits, prayers, cards, calls, and many other acts of kindness. We appreciate your genuine concern. Special thanks to the staff at Bells Nursing Home and Caris Home Health.

Jonathan Hardin
Reginald Taylor

PALLBEARERS
Cowayne Collier
Darren Taylor

Damen Lee
Marstayco Johnson

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Grandchildren and Nephews

FLOWER BEARERS
Nieces



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