## Farewell Mother



Somewhere in my heart beneath all my grief and pain, Is a smile I still wear at the sound of your dear name. The precious word is 'MOTHER', she was my world you see, But now my heart is breaking cause she's no longer

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here with me. God chose her for

His angel to watch me from above, To guide me and
advise me and know that I'm still loved. The day she
had to leave me when her life on earth was through,
God had better plans for her, for this, I surely knew.

When I think of her kind heart and all those loving
years, My memories surround me and
I can't hold back the tears.

She truly was my best friend, someone I could confide in, She always had a tender touch and a warm and gentle grin. I want to thank you Mother for teaching me so well,

And though the time has come that I must bid you

this farewell. I'll remember all you've taught me and make you proud you'll see. Thank you my Dear Mother for all the love you showed me.

Although you've left this earth and now you've taken flight, I know that you are here with me each

morning, noon and night.

(Author Unknown)

#### Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

#### Pall Bearers

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### Acknowledgements

Words cannot adequately express the gratitude we have for our family and friends who have consoled us during this time of bereavement. Your presence, prayers, love, and many acts of kindness have truly sustained us. Again, we say Thank You and may God continue to bless you all.

~The Family



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#### Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional......Clergy and Family

Hymn

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. Reginald Wells

Selection

Acknowledgements......Ann Alston

Obituary (read silently)

Remarks (limit to 2 minutes please)

Solo......Rosa Dyson

Eulogy......Rev. Corey Little

Recessional

### Interment

Mitchell Chapel AME Zion Church Cemetery 1085 Mitchells Chapel Rd. Pittsboro, NC 27312















# Obituary

Julia Mae, affectionately referred to as "Sis" was a life-long resident of Pittsboro, NC. She was born the youngest of two on January 2, 1933 to the union of Willie S. Alston and Alene Alston of Pittsboro, NC. She attended the Shiloh School with her brother Willie, which she started early to accompany Willie who was afraid to walk to school alone.

Julia joined church at an early age and was a long-time member of the usher board at Mitchell Chapel Church. She was also civically engaged with the Council on Aging. She had a variety of employment throughout her career including the Flower Farm of Pittsboro and a dry-cleaners in Siler City. For many years she rose before daybreak to work and support her family at the Webster Poultry Plant in Pittsboro. When she retired from Webster, she dedicated her time to her family.

Throughout her life, she cherished time with family and friends. She hosted many family Sunday dinners and holiday gatherings. At any time, one of her crafts could be seen on display around her home. In December of 1949, she married the love of her life, Clyde Thomas Alston from Siler City, NC, to which, four children were born, Joyce, Edna Lorine, Clyde Edward and Thomas Earl. Julia and Clyde are now together again.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie S. Alston and Alene Alston; her brother, Willie Alston; her husband, Clyde Thomas Alston; her son, Clyde Edward Alston and grandson, Thomas Carnell Alston.

Julia loved finding a good sale while shopping, arts and crafts, game shows, word search puzzles and spending time with family and friends.

Julia Mae is survived by her children: Joyce Davis (Conrad) of Richmond, Virginia, Edna Lorine Cogdell (Calvin) of Fayetteville, NC, Thomas Earl Alston (Jennifer) of Pittsboro, NC; daughter-in-law, Sandra Alston of Greensboro, NC; nine grandchildren: Brandon and Brittany Davis, Kimberly Cogdell Grainger, Byron Cogdell, Shannon Alston, Jasmine Alston, Crystal Dowdy, Decie Alston and Leighia Alston; seven great-grandchildren: Elijah Davis, Elyse Boies, Royce Grainger, Parker and Robyn Cogdell, Ja'Ciyon Scales and Mirakel Alston and a host of other relatives and friends.