## Remember Me



Remember me with smiles not tears. For all the joy through all the years. Recall the closeness that was ours, A love as "sweet" as fragrant flowers. Don't dwell on thoughts that cause you pain. We'll see each other once again. I am at peace...try to believe, It was my time...I had to leave. But "what a view" I have from here, I see your face, I feel you near. I follow you through the day, You're not alone along the way. And when God calls you...you will be, Right by my side... right here with me. Till then, I'll wait by heaven's door, We'll be united...forever more.





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# Floral Beavers

Nelzie Toomer Missionary Society

### Pall Bearers

Ward Memorial Trustees and Deacons



# *Acknowledgements*

The family of Ms. Nelzie L. Toomer wish to express their thanks to everyone for loving and remembering Nelzie and helping us in our time of loss. Words are inadequate to express the gratitude we feel towards your many acts of kindness. May God bless each of you and keep you in His loving care. We love and appreciate each of you.

~The Family

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# Celebrating the Life of a Virtuous Woman



Sunrise January 26, 1915

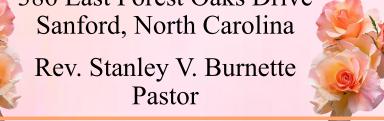


Sunset November 4, 2018

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. Proverbs 31:10

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 2:00 PM

386 East Forest Oaks Drive Sanford, North Carolina



#### Order of Service

Musical Prelude

**Processional** 

Selection......Ward Memorial / St. Andrews Mixed Choir

Prayer of Comfort......Deacon James Small

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Rev. Isaac Coley

New Testament: Rev. Julian French

Selection......Ward Memorial / St. Andrews

Mixed Choir

Remarks (less than 2 minutes).....Open

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Obituary.....Barbara Partridge

Selection.....Ward Memorial / St. Andrews Mixed Choir

Eulogy......Pastor Stanley Burnette

Recessional



Interment
Ward Memorial Church Cemetery



### Obituary

Mrs. Nelzie Lee Thomas Toomer daughter of the late John and Alberta Thomas was born January 26, 1915. She departed this life on Sunday, November 4, 2018 around 9:45am at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

She was married to Henry Toomer and to this union was born four children, one stepson, Hubert Toomer and two stepdaughters, as well as one niece whom she raised. Nelzie had only an eighth grade education, but she was an avid reader and mathematician.

She received Christ as her personal savior very early in age and joined Jones Chapel Church now known as Ward Memorial Church where she remained. She was a dedicated worker until her health no longer allowed her to actively participate. She served as the Vacation Bible Service Coordinator, Sunday School Teacher, Usher and Missionary President. In her honor, the Missionary Committee was renamed "Nelzie Toomer Missionary Society".

Nelzie really enjoyed attending church service until her health would no longer allow her to attend. However, she was elated when the church members would come to serve monthly communion.

Nelzies' civic duties included being Director of the Council on Aging and becoming a foster parent.

She was very creative and could make anything she laid her eyes on. You could look around her home and find her handiwork.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, stepson, Hubert and her siblings: Katherine, Theodore, and Helen.

She leaves to cherish her memories: daughter, Doris Toomer Harris, Sanford, NC, John Toomer (Ola) Orange, New Jersey, Theodore Toomer (Janice), Sanford NC, and Brenda Swann (Joe), New Hill, NC; one grandson she raised, John Toomer (Tawan) Chesapeake, VA; daughter-in-law, Cora Toomer, New Hill, NC; sister, Nina French, Sanford, NC and three foster children, Joe McSwain, Wilmington, NC, John B. McSwain, Pittsboro, NC and Deon McSwain, Siler City, NC. Additionally, fifteen grandchildren, twenty seven great-grandchildren, fifteen great-great grandchildren, four great great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.