

He Only Takes the Best

*God saw that you were getting tired,
A cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you
and whispered, "Come with Me."
With tearful eyes, we watched you suffer,
And saw you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes "the best".*



A Poem for "Ma-Ma"

The tears that I cry today
can be wiped away,
but the ache in my heart
will always stay.

**~Love Always,
your grandson, Jay**

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Floral Bearers

Friends of the Family

Pall Bearers

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Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement. May God richly bless each of you.

~The Petty Family



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Homegoing Celebration For



Elsie Lee McNeil Petty

Sunrise
December 22, 1948



Sunset
February 13, 2020

Wednesday, February 19, 2020
1:00 PM

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
1713 Colon Rd
Sanford, NC 27330

Reverend Kenneth Headen
Pastor / Eulogist

Order of Service

Minister Charles Johnson, Officiating

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Opening Selection.....Mt. Calvary Gospel Choir
“Sending Up My Timber”

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament.....Pastor Gerome Williams

New Testament.....Minister Charles Johnson

Prayer of Comfort.....Dr. Alice Hooker

Solo.....Pastor Charlie Hawes
“When You Hear of My Homegoing”

Acknowledgements & Obituary.....Mrs. Martha Petty

Remarks (Please limit to 2 minutes)

Lisa France

Rev. George Dark

Andrell Woodard

Selection.....Mt. Calvary Gospel Choir
“I Owe God a Praise”

Eulogy.....Reverend Kenneth Headen

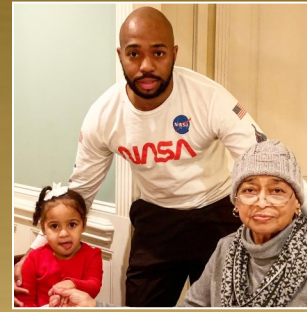
Selection.....Mt. Calvary Gospel Choir
“In That City”

Recessional



Interment

Lee Memory Garden
2600 Hawkins Avenue
Sanford, North Carolina



Obituary

Elsie Lee McNeil Petty was born December 22, 1948 in Sanford, North Carolina. God called her home on Thursday, February 13, 2020.

Elsie graduated from W.B. Wicker School in 1967. She was a Substitute Teacher for over 15 years. She was a faithful member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church. Elsie loved her church and loved gospel music. She served on the Deaconess Board, Missionary Circle and the Pastors Aide. In 2007, she donated \$1,992.00 to her church.

She was preceded in death by her son, Larry L. McNeill; and granddaughter, Kamariya Long “Ka”.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her daughter, Chasity Petty; grandsons, Andrell Woodard, Jaylen Tysor and Logan Alston; great granddaughter, Gia; sisters, Dianne Hooker, Teresa Lyons, and Valerie Perkins; brothers, Thomas McNeill, and Marshall Gaines (Chris); three favorite cousins, Marilyn McLean, Dianne Chubbs and Linda McDowell; lifetime friend, Lula Knotts Thomas; best friend, Lisa France; other special friends, Rosalyn Jones, Tina Stokes, Shirley Higgins, Sarah Jefferson and Mary Baker; a special niece, Meshelle Hooker, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.