



"I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call.
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow:
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full I've savored much,
Good times, good friends, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, **He set me free.**



Floral Bearers

Nieces

Pall Bearers

Darren "Antawn" Steadman Chris McLean
Eddie Bethune Tobias McLean
Eugene Thomas Shawn Keller

Acknowledgments

*The family of Rosa Mae Thomas would like to express our deepest appreciation for everyone's sympathy as we mourn our loved one. The shared memories from all of you, calls, And words of condolences meant a great deal to all of us.
A special thanks to UNC Chapel Hill*

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In Loving Memory Of *Ms. Rosa Mae Thomas*



Sunrise
April 12, 1938



Sunset
December 19, 2020

Funeral Services
2:00 PM
Wednesday, December 23, 2020

Knotts Funeral Home
719 Wall Street
Sanford, North Carolina
Pastor Margaret Allen, Eulogist



The Order of Worship

Officiating: Elder Marilyn Cross

Prelude.....Dr. Margaret Allen

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Scriptures:

 Old Testament.....Pastor Loretta Tolson (Niece)

 New Testament.....Evangelist Joann Jackson (Niece)

Prayer of Comfort.....Evangelist Otis Steadman (Nephew)

Acknowledgements.....Elder Marilyn Cross

 “Read Obituary in Silence”

Remarks (2 mins).....Sandra Steadman (Niece)

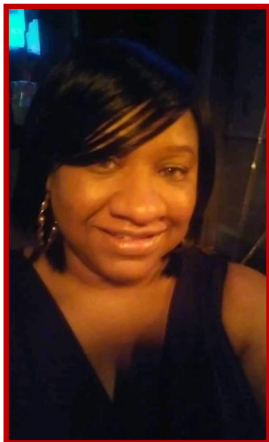
Eulogy (15 mins).....Pastor Margaret Allen

Recessional



Interment

Lee Memory Garden
2600 Hawkins Avenue
Sanford, North Carolina 27330



*In Loving Memory of a
Special Aunt*

Rosa Mae Thomas, the daughter of the late Binella R. Williams and John Perkins was born on 4-12-1938 in Bennettsville, SC.

Rosa Mae Thomas moved to Sanford, N.C. at the age of 3 years old with her family. She attended W. B. Wicker School. She was a very faithful member of Zion Hill Holiness Church in the Osgood Community, as a youth. Later she attended Mt. Olive Holiness Church located on Hudson Ave. in Sanford, N.C. She loved the Lord and enjoyed reading. Her favorite book to read was the Bible.

Rosa Mae Thomas was preceded in death by: her husband of fifty years, James Thomas; her mother, Binella Williams Perkins; stepmother, Minnie Tuck Perkins; father, John Perkins; sisters, Lucille Pennix, Beatrice Williams, Rebecca Winston, Rosa Lee Steadman; brothers, William Perkins, Zane Perkins, Isiah Perkins.

She leaves to cherish her memories: sons, Eugene Brown of Georgia, and Bernard Brown of Florida; a daughter, Mary Hoskins of Georgia; sister, Laura P. Buie of the home; a dear niece, Phyllis Perkins Henry of the home; numerous grandkids, nieces and nephews.

