



HELEN DELORES (POLLOCK) MCDUFFIE transitioned to eternal rest on May 10, 2020 at Hospice of Dayton in prayer with her daughters. Helen was born to Elisha Pollock and Ella Mae (Kinchen) Pollock on September 28, 1937 in Cocoa, FL. She is preceded in death by her parents; Elisha and Ella Mae Pollock; her brother; Elisha Pollock Jr., and her baby daughter Rebecca Renee McDuffie.

Helen met and married her husband Norman McDuffie Jr. shortly after he came to Prayer Garden COGIC in 1955 where Helen was a member as a young adult. She was employed as a "Candy Stripe Nurse" (known today as a Nursing Assistant) at Miami Valley Hospital. In the early years of their marriage, her husband Norman felt it was better for them if she left the job and become a full time homemaker. They both agreed this was important to their union. Helen gave birth to 9 daughters, one of which passed in 1969 at the age of 6 months. This was devastating to the family but God sustained her through it all.

In later years Mother McDuffie served as First Lady of Faith Deliverance Church of God in Christ for 23 years. Mother McDuffie served on the Mothers Board for many years. She spent most of her life battling a devastating illness which lasted until her demise, yet she continued to love God and her family through it all.

Mother McDuffie was an avid lover of all things "flowers". For years her husband purchased fresh flowers for her monthly. She truly "smelled her flowers while she lived". Mother McDuffie was also a lover of beautiful clothes, hats, jewelry and dessert!

Mother McDuffie had friendships that she truly cherished; Julia and the late Stanley Jordan, the late Anna Simmons, her sister in law, Peggy McDuffie, Joyce and the late Henry Pierce, her committed caregiver, Loretta Barton, her private nurse, Crystal Bohse and many of the church family that are too numerous to name. .

Mother McDuffie is survived by her loving and committed husband of 64 years, Norman McDuffie Jr., 8 loyal daughters, Robin (Eddie) Cospy; Regina (Jobie) Milton; Norma Jean McDuffie; Ruth (James) Byrd; Rhonda (Terence) Hayes; Ramona (Adam) Wilson; Rita McDuffie-Walder and Vicky (Timothy) Holmes; 39 grandchildren, 57 great grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild and a host of family and friends.

Mother McDuffie lived a full life and is now at peace. May God bless and strengthen the family during this time of sorrow. Her life will live on through her daughters, their children and their children's children. She will live forever in our hearts.

ORDER OF SERVICE

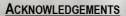
Musical Prelude

Processional
OfficiatePastor Terence O. Hayes, Sr.
Scripture Reading:
Old Testament Clergy
New Testament Clergy
Prayer of ComfortClergy
Musical Selection
Obituary/Acknowledgements
Musical Selection
EulogyPastor Terence O. Hayes, Sr.
Benediction
Parting View
Pagassional

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

Psalms 116:15

Interment West Memory Gardens



The family of Mother Helen McDuffie would like to acknowledge with grateful appreciation all of the expressions of love and kindness extended during her illness and passing. We would like to give special thanks to Hospice of Dayton, Ed Smith Florist and H.H. Roberts Funeral Home for you kindness and favor shown to us.

May God continue to bless you richly.

GOD SAW YOU GETTING TIRED

God saw you getting tired And a cure was not to be So he put His arms around you And whispered Come to me."

With tearful eyes we watched you As you slowly slipped away And though we loved you dearly We couldn't make you stay.

Your golden heart stopped beating Your tired hands put to rest God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best...

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