

Floral Bearers

Granddaughters

Casket Bearers

Grandsons

Acknowledgement

The Rice Family would like to thank you for your prayers, love, phone calls, and many acts of kindness and condolences. We would also like to give a special thank you to the staff at Upstate Hospice for taking care of mom, as well as her caretakers, BJ Hudson and Stevie.

Your acts of kindness and prayers have sustained us and reminded us of God's grace and mercy.

We are forever grateful.



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Celebration of Life *for* *Ms. Lela Mae Carter* SUNRISE OCTOBER 19, 1935 SUNSET MAY 15, 2023 **RICE**



SERVICE

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Two O'clock in the Afternoon

Zion Hill Pentecostal Holiness Church
165 Airport Road
Clinton, South Carolina

Pastor Quincy Johnson, Officiating
Pastor Angela Coleman, Presiding



The Broken Chain

We little knew that day,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.



Celebration of Her Life and Love

Pastor Angela Coleman, *Presiding*

- Prelude
- Processional *"Mama" by Boyz to Men* Clergy and Family
- Final Viewing Family and Friends
- Selection Mr. Leroy Hunter, *Grandson*
- Scripture Reading
 - Old Testament Pastor Brently
 - New Testament Pastor Angela Coleman
- Prayer Minister
- Selection Deacon Howard Anderson
Rock of Ages Baptist Church- Greenville, South Carolina

REMARKS

Bishop Lawyer Watson, Jr., *Life With Jesus Ministries*
Mrs. Revonne Harrison, *Daughter*

- Solo Mr. Ollie Burnside, *Nephew*
- Poem Mr. Benjamin Rice
- Acknowledgements..... Sanders-Thompson Mortuary Staff
- Selection The Carter Sisters
- Words of Comfort Pastor Quincy Johnson
- Closing Prayer Minister
- Recessional *"One Sweet Day" by Mariah Carey*
- Committal Service
 - Prayer, Committal, and Benediction The Graveside

Interment

Rosemont Cemetery
807 Willard Road
Clinton, South Carolina

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A Million Times

A million times I've thought of you,
A million times I've cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.

But if the world was mine to give,
I'd give all that and more;
To see you coming up the steps
Or walking through the door.

To hear you laugh or see you grin,
To hold you in my arms again,
To be with you the same sweet way
Would be to me my brightest day.

But a lovely heart stopped beating,
Two smiling eyes closed to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.



Life Profile

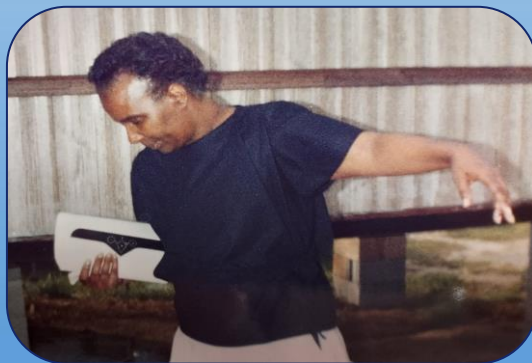
Ms. Lela Mae Carter Rice was born October 19, 1935, to Alonzo and Rebecca Kinard Carter in Laurens County, South Carolina.

She was a member of Zion Hill Pentecostal Church in Clinton, South Carolina.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Harold Lee Rice; her daughter, Leruth Rice Washington; four grandchildren: James Q Hunter, Calvin Rice, DeShaun Q Rice, Melinda Patterson Aduku; three sisters: Minister Marie Carter Moses, Carrie Lee Carter Gary, and Mattie B Carter; and her adopted son, Freddy Gary.

On Monday, May 15, 2023, Ms. Lela Mae Carter Rice departed this life and entered Eternal Rest at the age of eighty-seven.

She leaves to cherish her memories to her sons, Leroy (Brenda) Rice, Larry Rice, Otis Rice of Greenville, South Carolina, Benjamin (Sharon) Rice, and Willie (Virginia) Gary both of Clinton, South Carolina; her daughters, Rebecca Rubio (Thomas) Poole, Revonne (Charles) Harrison of Simpsonville, South Carolina; her brothers, Alonzo Carter Jr. of Clinton, South Carolina, Willie Carter of Greenville, South Carolina; her sisters, Pastor Ruthie (Furman) Pyles of Clinton, South Carolina; her sister by love, Willie Mae Taylor of Greenville, South Carolina; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.



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