



Acknowledgements

The family of Mother Ethel McCoy wish to express their sincere love and appreciation for your thoughts, prayers, calls and acts of kindness during their hour of bereavement.

Pallbearers

Bro. Aaron Bland • Bro. Donald Darby
Bro. Cornelius Engleman • Bro. Mark Hughes
Bro. Horace Marshall • Bro. Anthony McCoy

Flowerbearers

Granddaughters of Mother Ethel McCoy
and the Mothers Board of Hope for You
Family Life and Worship Center



Interment

Vine Street Hill Cemetery

Repast – immediately following Interment,
for family only, at Southern Baptist Church,
3556 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45229.

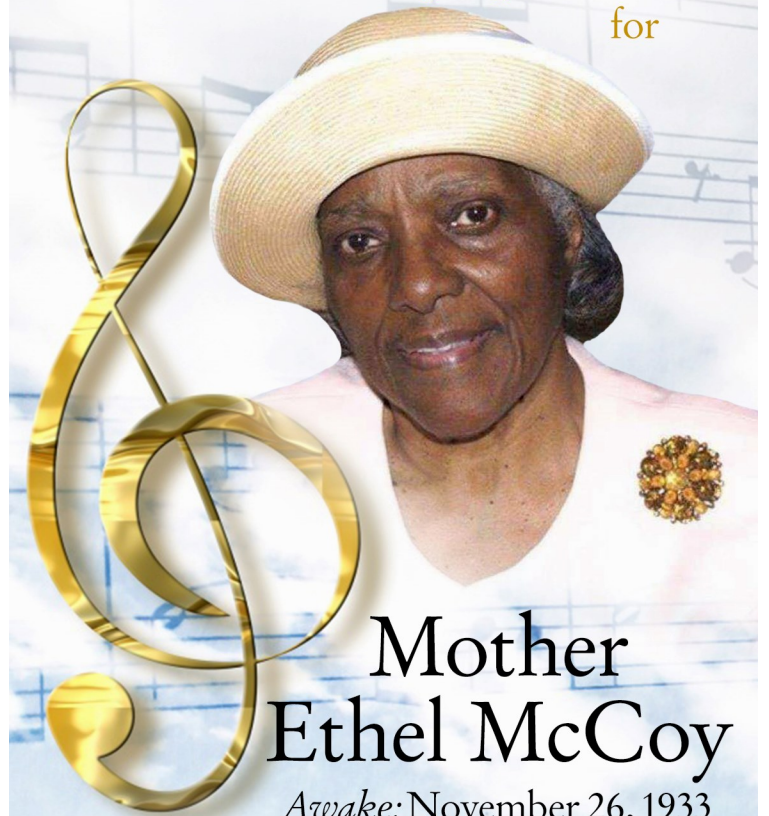
*A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still.
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.*



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The Victorious Homegoing Celebration
for



**Mother
Ethel McCoy**

Awake: November 26, 1933

Asleep: May 12, 2020

"Our Queen of Gospel"

Friday, May 22, 2020

Visitation – 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Homegoing Service – 11:30 a.m.

Southern Baptist Church

3556 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45229

Rev. Dan Larkin, Jr., *Interim Pastor*
Bishop Larry Dempsey, *Eulogist*

Obituary

Ethel Ruth Spence was born on November 26, 1933 to Dock and Daisy Spence in Camden, Tennessee. She departed this life on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 in the home that she loved.

At a young age, Ethel came to Cincinnati, Ohio to live with her aunt, Ethel McDaniel where she met the Hill Family and became part of their family. Ethel attended church with her aunt and loved to sing in the choirs. Ethel was a member of the Greater Cincinnati Choral Union. She also sang with a lot of prominent singers all over the country.

Ethel was educated in the Cincinnati Public Schools, where she attended Washburn Elementary and Woodward High School — Go Bulldogs!

Ethel worked for General Hospital in the Dietary Department.

She attended Bethlehem Temple Apostolic Church on Seventh Street under the late Bishop Elize W. Young and later under Bishop Johnnie L. Johnson, where she was President and Director of the choir for 42 years and was ordained a Mother of the Church. She later attended Hope for You Family Life and Worship Center under Bishop Larry Dempsey, where she continued to sing on the Praise and Worship Team and in the Choir. Known as “The Queen of Gospel”, Ethel traveled all over the country to conventions and councils singing the praises of the Lord and touching the people’s hearts.

If you saw Mother McCoy and asked her, “How you doing?” she would respond with “*I’m Holding On and I Won’t Let Go.*”

Not just known for her singing, Mother Ethel McCoy had many talents: Drawing, Sewing, and Oh we can’t forget cooking: Yeast Rolls, Cinnamon Rolls and Cookies.

Ethel was married to the late Alfred McCoy on May 27, 1955. To this union, four children were born: Dietrick “Butch” McCoy, Alan B. McCoy, Audrey L. McCoy and Robert “Buddy” McCoy.

Ethel was preceded in death by her parents, Dock and Daisy Spence; her aunt, Ethel McDaniel; her husband of 64 years, Alfred McCoy; son, Robert McCoy; granddaughter, Jasmine Clark; her sisters, Polly Edmonson and Novella Anderson, both of Nashville, TN; her Cincinnati mother, Mildred Hill; and Cincinnati brother, Nathaniel Hill.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories: sister, Margaret Bradley of Nashville, TN; sons, Dietrick (Glenda) McCoy of Nashville, TN and Alan (Anita) McCoy of Cincinnati, OH; her lovely daughter and caregiver, Audrey McCoy of Cincinnati, OH; grandchildren, Marquis (Rochelle) Reed, Marisa Reed, Demetria Reed and Lolita (Tim) Beasley, all of Nashville, TN, Brooke (Daniel) Jackson, Alan Jr. (Sara) McCoy, Morgan McCoy, Rhyan McCoy and Jalen Bell, all of Cincinnati, OH and Robert McCoy, Jr. of Columbus, OH; her Cincinnati, OH sisters, Lois Hill, Carolyn (Lloyd) May, Emma Walker, Earlene Hill-James, Gloria Hill and Ronnie Hill; and a host of great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Elder Albert Morton, *Officiant*

Organ PreludeBro. Eugene Rice
Ministerial Processional.....
Congregational Song
Parting ViewImmediate Family Only
Prayer of Comfort.....Evangelist Erma Kidd
Scripture Readings.....
 Old Testament – Dr. Sacara Deas
 New Testament – Elder Tracey Zanders
SelectionElder Albert Morton
Acknowledgement of Cards,
Condolences and Resolutions
 Minister Jerrold Dowell
Musical Presentation Recording – “*No Regrets*”...
 Mother Ethel McCoy
Expressions of Comfort (2 minutes, please)
 Elder Sam Young
 Pastor Richard Behanan
 Deacon J.C. Dunn
Obituary Read Silently
Remarks.....Rev. Eugene Ellington (Nephew)
 Pastor, Consolation Baptist Church
Loving Memories from the Children.....
 Bro. Dietrick “Butch” McCoy
 Bro. Alan McCoy
 Sis. Audrey McCoy
Sermonic Solo Sis. Margaret Bradley (Sister)
Eulogy.....Bishop Larry Dempsey
 Senior Pastor, Hope for You
 Family Life and Worship Center
Benediction.....
Recessional.....Clergy and Family