



*In Loving Memory*



### *Acknowledgements:*

*We would like to acknowledge with deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown during Ellastine's heavenly transition. We will never forget your selfless acts of kindness and sympathy through prayers, visits, phone calls, food, cards, and services. You all will be remembered by the family. You've been a prayerful pillar of strength as we go through these times. May God richly bless each and every one of you.*

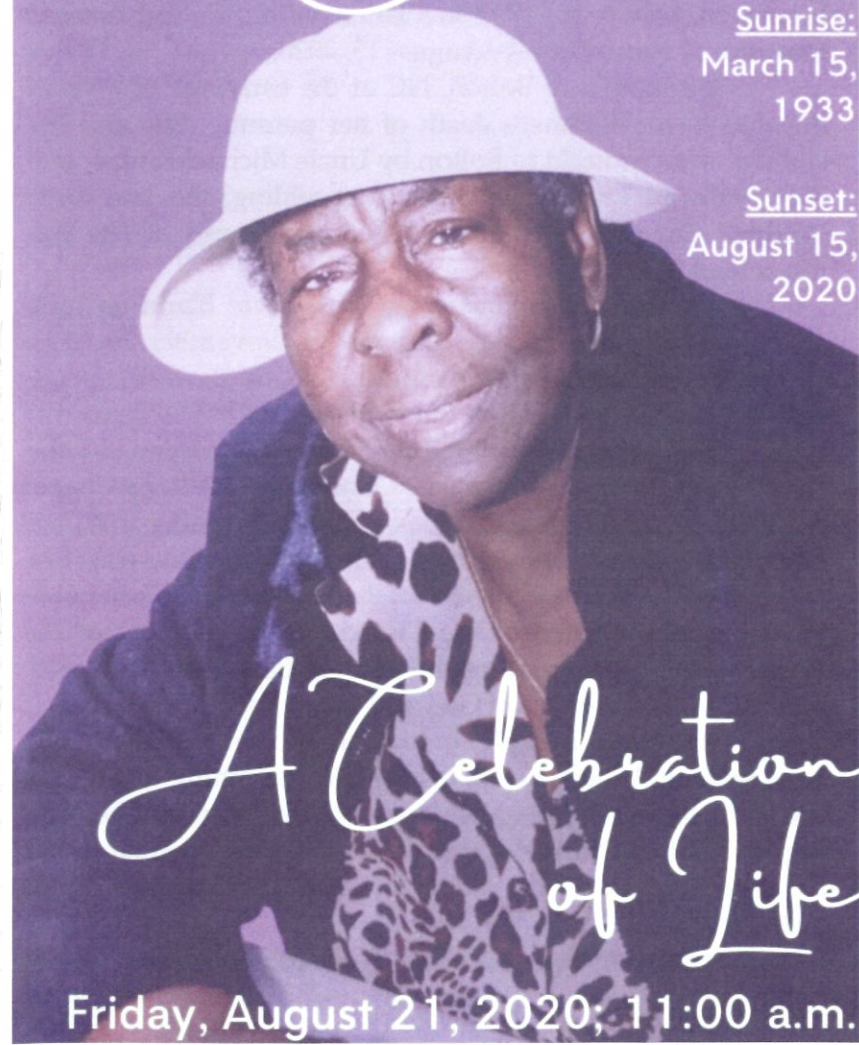
### *The Family ♥*



# Ellastine Moore Bland

Sunrise:  
March 15,  
1933

Sunset:  
August 15,  
2020



## A Celebration of Life

Friday, August 21, 2020; 11:00 a.m.

# Obituary

*"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heavens"*

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

Ellastine Bland was born to the late James and Mattie Kinlaw Moore on March 15, 1933 in Plantersville, SC, and entered into eternal rest Saturday, August 15, 2020.

She moved to Bolton, NC at the early age of 6 years old due to the untimely death of her parents. She and her siblings were brought to Bolton by Uncle Michael Kinlaw and they were all raised by their oldest sibling, the late Katie Waddell. She was educated in Columbus County at The Bolton School.

Ellastine later married the late Calvin Bland on June 17, 1950, who preceded her in death on November 26, 1976. To this union, there were 7 children born. By the will of God, two were called home, Rose Bland Best and Ritchie Bland.

She was employed at The Village Rest Home of Lake Waccamaw for a number of years. She joined Walter's Chapel A.M.E.Z. Church where she was a faithful member until her health started to fail her. A very active member she was. She served faithfully as a Deaconess, Class Leader #1, Class Leader of Leaders, Mother of the Church, and a member of the Eastern Stars, representing the Star of Bethlehem NO. 605. She truly was a woman of God and loved her church home.

She was a humble, quiet, soft-spoken, obedient, and wise woman. When she spoke she had something to say! We are going to miss hearing her voice, her laughter, and her saying HMMM UMMM (lol). She was a great wife, a great mother, a great grandmother, a great-great grandmother, aunt, sister, and friend.

She didn't hesitate to feed anybody that came

through her door. Her heart was so big she would give anything to anybody. She was always sneaking people (grandchildren especially) a "few dollars" all balled up in her hand.

She was just a virtuous woman and loved everyone and everyone loved her. She always had time to listen to her kids and grandkids no matter what time of day or night they called or came by, ESPECIALLY STAR & SCOOP LONG HEADS LOL.

She loved going back to her hometown, Plantersville, SC to visit her special late cousin Rebecca Greene.

The whole while we had been preparing her for what we thought was going to be her new home but, on Saturday, August 15, 2020, she took her last breath as the Lord came and wrapped her in His arms to take her to the mansion that He had prepared for her in heaven. No more pain, suffering, or sorrows. **SHE HAS BEEN SET FREE. SHE IS AT PEACE.**

## *Survivors:*

*Ellastine leaves to cherish her memory...*

### Children:

Mattie Kirksey of Bolton, NC  
Mary C. Freeman of Fayetteville, NC  
Bertha Bland of Castle Hayne, NC  
Cindy Williams of Bolton, NC  
Calvin Bland Jr. (Sandy) of Springfield, Massachusetts

### 2 Sister-in-laws:

Leta Strickland of Raleigh, NC  
Lois Autry of Wallace, NC

22 Grandchildren  
37 Great grandchildren  
7 Great-Great grandchildren  
AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS

# Order of Service

*Dr. Gonzalez Harris, Officiating  
Walter's Chapel AME Zion Church  
Bolton, NC 28423*

<b>Processional</b>	Clergy & Family
<b>Invocation</b>	Dr. Gonzalez Harris
<b>Scripture</b>	
<i>Old Testament (Psalm 23)</i>	Rev. Maria Lacewell
<i>New Testament (2 Timothy 4:7-8)</i>	Rev. Tonya Banks
<b>Prayer of Comfort</b>	Missionary Ruth Waddell
<b>Solo</b>	Glenn Best
<b>Remarks</b>	Mayor Shawn Maynor
<b>Resolution</b>	STAR OF BETHLEHEM NO. 605 OES
<b>Solo</b>	Cindy Williams
<b>Eulogy</b>	Dr. Gonzalez Harris

*\*Morticians in Charge\**

**Parting View & Recessional**

**COMMITTAL AND INTERMENT**  
**RESTWELL CEMETERY NO.1**