Homegoing Celebration



Mother Edna Boggess

Sunrise: Jan. 9, 1925 Sunset: Dec. 11, 2018











Obituary

Mother Edna Boggess was born January 9, 1925, daughter of Ed Gwinn and Carrie Harris Gwinn in Mobile, Alabama. She was the second oldest from a family of eight siblings, which include Willie Mae Evans (deceased), Rosa Lee Clark, Berniece Jackson, Ed Gwinn, Jr. (deceased), Mary Green, Daisy Ingalise, and Leonard Gwinn (deceased).

She worked as a professional bus driver and trainer of drivers in the city of Palo Alto for many years. She served as a foster mother for over 25 years blessings at least 300 children in the county of Sacramento.

She was married to Richard Parker and from this union came Dr. Rev. E. Eugene Parker (wife, Sylvia Wade-Parker), Rev. Clarence Parker (deceased), and Doris Parker (deceased). She was married to Marion Dennis, Sr. and from this union came Berniece Dennis Boyd and Marion Dennis, Jr. (wife, Grace Dennis). She was married to Alonzo Boggess until his death in September 1998.

Mother Boggess has been a lifelong active member of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. She joined University AME Zion in Palo Alto, CA under Pastor William Elston, forty-five years ago. She joined Kyles Temple AME Zion Church in Sacramento, CA in 1980. She served on many boards and clubs in the local Church. She organized and participated in the Kyles Temple Greeters Ministry. She served faithfully as a consecrated Deaconess, the vice president of the Junior Usher Board, and as member of the Senior Usher Board.

Her greatest joy and her crowning glory are her children. She provided God-fearing direction, guidance, and lots of love with discipline to her children, which expand over five generations. All of her children have accepted the saving grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and continue serve the church as laypersons or clergy.











Mother Boggess is preceded in death by her mother and father (Ed and Carrie), two brothers (ed Jr. and Leonard), one sister (Willie Mae), one son (Clarence), one daughter (Doris), and one granddaughter (Pamela Parker). She is survived by four sisters (Rosa Lee, Berniece, Mary and Daisy), two sons (E. Eugene and Marion), and one daughter (Berniece); eight grandsons (Timothy Parker, Vincent Parker, Steven Pickett, Kevin Dennis, Sean Burreal, Mylan Dennis, Dedrick Dennis, Duro Dennis) five granddaughters (Monica Ballard, Tracey Parker, Simone Acevedo, Jamika Stallworth, and Felicia Johnson), and one goddaughter (Francis Miller Roger married to Rev. Dr. Ronald Rogers); thirtyone great grandchildren and twelve great-great grandchildren.

Mother Boggess was know to all as a loving, compassionate Christian, who loved all people as evidence by her over 300 foster children from all ethnic backgrounds. She never taught hate but only love. She wanted people to be judged not by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

The family wished to leave you with Mother Boggess' favorite scripture from I Corinthians 13:4, "Love is patience, love is kind, it does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud, it is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrong, love does not delight in evil, it rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trust, always hopes, always preservers...Love Never Fails."



























































To My Love Ones

As I sit in heaven. and watch you everyday I try to let you know with signs I never went away I hear you when you're laughing And watch you when you sleep I even place my arms around you To calm you as you weep I see you wish the days away Begging to have me home So I try to send you signs So you know you are not alone Don't feel guilty that you have Life that was denied to me Heaven is truly beautiful Just you wait and see So live your life, laugh again Enjoy yourself, be free Then I know With every breath you take You'll be taking one for...

Viewing: 9:00 am – 10:45 am

Order of Service

Worship LeaderRev. Dr. Brandon Fisher
Procession of Family and Clergy
SelectionKyles Temple Choir
Old TestamentPsalms 90:1-10 Presiding Elder Gloria Clemons-White
New Testament
Prayer of ComfortRev. Dr. Ronald Rogers
SelectionKyles Temple Choir
Resolutions: Deaconess Board
Silent Reading of the Obituary
Family ExpressionsMonica Parker-Thompson
SoloGreg Ballard "Anchored in the Lord"
EulogyBishop Staccato Powell Presiding Prelate, Western Episcopal District
BenedictionBishop Powell
Recession of Family