

PALLBEARERS:
GRANDSONS AND
GREAT – GRANDSONS

FLOWER BEARERS:
GRANDDAUGHTERS AND
GREAT – GRANDDAUGHTERS



Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glint on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you wake in the morning hush,
I am the swift, uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circling flight.
I am the soft starlight at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there, I did not die!*
Mary Frye (1932)



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Homegoing Celebration

for:

Mrs. Kurlina Betty
Gardener



Sunrise: October 24, 1928
Sunset: April 3, 2021

Service

11:00 AM

Tuesday, April 6, 2021
Hall Chapel Baptist Church
5310 Fairview Road
Batesburg – Leesville, SC 29006
(803) 657-7350

Webpage: www.hallchapel.org

Reverend Donald C. Robinson
Presiding



Order of Service

Reverend Donald C. Robinson, Presiding

Gathering at the Graveside 11:00 AM

Opening Prayer Reverend Donald C. Robinson

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament PSALM 27:1-6
(Jamie Gary, son)

New Testament...1ST THESSALONIANS 4:13-18
(Jamayka Chestnut, great-granddaughter)

Song ... "I Can't Give Up Now!" by Lee Williams

Poem Reading ... Pamela Chestnut, granddaughter

Committal - Benediction - Interment

Reverend Jeffery K. Cannon, son

Reciting of "The Lord's Prayer" in Unison

Lead by: Deacon Greg Peterson, grandson

Burial:

Hall Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers, if so, we saw them there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friends could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, you thought of us this day.

*Whatever you did to console our hearts, we, the family of **Kurlina Betty Gardener**, thank you so very much, whatever the part. While we weep, we do not weep like those who have no hope, because we know we will see her again. May God bless each of you.*

The Obituary

Mrs. Kurlina Betty Gardener, daughter of the late George Herman "Papa" Staley and Nettie Bell Williams Staley, was born on October 24, 1928 in Aiken County, South Carolina. She departed this life on Saturday, April 3, 2021 at the Pruitt Health Retirement Home in Aiken, South Carolina.

At an early age, Mrs. Gardener was baptized at Chalk Hill Baptist Church in Aiken County. She also attended Olive Branch Baptist Church as a youngster with her parents and Tabernacle Baptist Church after marrying Timothy John Cannon both in Batesburg-Leesville, SC. For many years, she served on several ministries as a faithful member of the Hall Chapel Baptist Church until her health declined.

Mrs. Gardener attended schools in Aiken and Lexington counties. She graduated from the Batesburg Colored School in Batesburg, South Carolina. She attended the Bettis Academy in Edgefield, South Carolina. She worked a variety of jobs until retirement.

She is predeceased by her husbands, Timothy J. Cannon and Theodore "Ted" Gardener, sons Cornell, Robert Lee, Michael, and Mitchell Cannon and Buster Muller.

She is survived by two daughters, Betty (Walter) Sugick and Nettie Cannon-Hill of Batesburg-Leesville, SC; three sons, John T. Cannon, Reverend Jeffery Cannon, and Jamie Gary of Batesburg-Leesville, SC; two sisters Beatrice (Willie) Stephens of South Congaree, SC and Mary Ruth Staley-Satar of Spartanburg, SC; one brother Roosevelt (Patricia) Staley of Sumter, SC; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and 1 great great great grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Old Testament Reading

Psalm 27

Of David.

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—
of whom shall I be afraid?

² When the wicked advance against me
to devour^[a] me,

it is my enemies and my foes
who will stumble and fall.

³ Though an army besiege me,
my heart will not fear;
though war break out against me,
even then I will be confident.

⁴ One thing I ask from the LORD,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD
and to seek him in his temple.

⁵ For in the day of trouble
he will keep me safe in his dwelling;
he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent
and set me high upon a rock.

⁶ Then my head will be exalted
above the enemies who surround me;
at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of
joy;

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

New Testament Reading

1st Thessalonians 4:13 - 18

Believers Who Have Died

¹³ Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope.

¹⁴ For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

¹⁵ According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

¹⁷ After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.