

# PALLBEARERS

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# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Staten family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, prayers, flowers, support, and expressions of sympathy. Your kindness during this difficult time has been comforting during our time of bereavement.

May God Bless You All!

# **INTERMENT**

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# CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Dresmudean Staten

SUNRISE JUNE 15, 1938 | SUNSET NOVEMBER 25, 2022

# CELEBRATING THE LIFE & LEGACY OF Dresmudean Staten

Dresmudean Staten, affectionately known as Dee, was born June 15, 1938 to the late Onnie Lucas and Louise Rogers in Wilson, North Carolina. As a child, her family moved to Washington, DC where she was educated in the public school system.

Dee has always known the Lord and fellowshipped at various churches throughout her youth. However, she found her church home at Macedonia Community Church, where she was an active member for over 40 years.

Dee was a dedicated educator and children's advocate for more than 30 years. She spent the majority of her career working with special needs children at Brown Junior High School in Washington, DC. When she retired in 1990, she began providing after-school tutoring services and soon thereafter re-entered the workforce in the P.G. County school system where she remained for several years. During her distinguished career, Dee received numerous accolades for her work in these districts.

Dee was a lifelong learner who loved to read and write. She was very proud that she was the first in our family to graduate with a Bachelor's Degree and encouraged each of us to do the same! She always told us as children how smart we were and of the many things we could accomplish. She made it her personal mission to keep us ladies from becoming DUMB BUNNIES!

Dee had a flare for fashion and had at least one of every color shoe imaginable. She took pride in her appearance and was thrilled when anyone compared her face and hair to that of Oprah Winfrey. During her lifetime, Dee enjoyed bowling, traveling, baking, teaching any and everybody, and long telephone conversations. She would spend hours on the line with her sister Betty hearing stories of Dakota, Dante (Brother), and Madison. Before ending her calls she would remind her sister that,

"...Brother is gonna be somebody one day!" Dee's absolute favorite pastime, however, was caring for her dogs. She took great pride in loving them and treated them like members of the family.

Dee was preceded in death by her parents, Louise and Edward Mitchell; aunt Bessie Bernard; sister Barbara Butler; cousin Henry Bernard; niece Alise Nicholson, nephews Norman Lee, Michael Lucas, Leroy Butler and Willie Nicholson Jr., and her beloved dogs, Josh, Shug, and Summer.

Dee will be lovingly remembered by her sister, Betty Noble (John); nieces Sheila Lee, Lashawn Wallace (Tony), Robbyn Wherry, and Larese Butler; nephews Ronald Butler Sr. (Teena) and Anthony Lewis (Theo), great-nieces Ayanna Johnson (Jay), Terra Carter (Juan), Danyelle White (Terelle), Adrianne Butler, and Angela Butler; great-nephews Robert Carter (Shauna), Michael Lucas Jr., Mark Nicholson, Ronald Butler Jr., Matthew Nicholson, John Nicholson (Kevina), Willie Nicholson III, a host of other family and friends and her cherished dog, Buddy.

We are so grateful to have experienced the taste of her delicious homemade potato rolls and waffles! Nothing will ever compare to her "catch up" telephone calls and the timeless wisdom she would share. We thank God for the time He allowed you to spend with us and for all you poured into us. We love and will miss you dearly Dee, and will never forget you!





ELDER ALFRED H. MCCAIN, SR., PASTOF VIEWING 10AM SERVICE 11AM

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Remarks & Prayer Ayanna Johnson

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Matthew Nicholson

New Testament John Nicholson

Reading of the Obituary Haneyah Johnson

Musical Selection Macedonia Community Church

Tributes Family & Friends

(Please limit to 2 minutes each)

Eulogy Elder Alfred H. McCain, Sr., Pastor

Closing Remarks Ayanna Johnson

