

Obituary

“God saw you were getting tired, and a cure was not to be;
So He put His arms around you and whispered, “Come to Me.”
With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away;
Although we love you dearly, we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest;
God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.”

“**To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heavens.” Ecclesiastes 3:1**

A Time To Be Born: Annie Lee Chisholm McNeill was the seventh (7th) child, born to the late John Wesley Sr. and Zellar Chisholm, on March 17, 1932.

A Time To Every Purpose Under the Heaven: Annie’s early childhood was spent in the Eagles Springs/Zion Grove, North Carolina, area. Later, she moved to Aberdeen, North Carolina, where she attended Berkley High School. She loved people and worked in nursing and environmental services; Everyone who met her affectionately called her “Aunt Annie .”She loved the Lord and faithfully served in the Church. Her hobbies included cooking, baking, word-search puzzles, singing, modeling, and traveling all along the East Coast. One of her greatest joys was being invited to model for the Berkley High School Alumni and later winning “Miss Berkley.”

A Time To Love: Annie met a special man, the late Grant W. McNeill Sr., fell in love, and they united in holy matrimony. To this union, there were seven children whom she loved and was so proud to tell the world about them.

A Time To Die: On Friday, January 20, 2023, her heavenly Father sent an angel of mercy and whispered softly, ‘My daughter, your earthly work is finished’; thus, Annie slept peacefully away in the arms of Jesus, leaving all burdens and cares of this world behind, and entered into eternal life everlasting.

Preceding Annie in death were her husband, Grant W McNeill, Sr.; one son, Wayne McNeill; four sisters, Eula Ross, Lucy Mae Utley, Mary Chisholm, and Emily Park; five brothers, Jessie, Robert, Howard, Dewey, and John Chisholm; five sisters-in-law and five brothers-in-law.

A Time To Mourn: Left to cherish her loving memory: daughter, Ernestine (Lem) Peterkin of Aberdeen, North Carolina; sons, Grant W (Gloria) McNeill; Joseph Anthony McNeill; Michael A McNeil; all of Aberdeen, North Carolina; daughter, Linda (Lyndon) Nealy of Aberdeen North Carolina; son: Edward L (Terrie) McNeill of Eagle Springs, North Carolina; daughter-in-law Carol McNeill of Douglasville GA; sixteen grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law: Jewel Chisholm of Southern Pines North Carolina; Sally Celestine of New York; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and relatives; and four special children of the Ball Family.

‘Momma, I Will See You Again’

- M** - My heart may be broken now, but I will see you again;
- O** - Other days I know will be better than some, but I will see you again;
- M** - Most of all, the love you have shown to all people; you never met a stranger; when you smiled, and they didn’t smile back at you..... Memories of you will never fade away. I will see you again;
- M** - More than words can express: I love you: I respect you; and I will see you again;
- A** - At the end, when it’s all said and done, all I have to say is: I will see you again; I love you Momma!
-- **by Linda**



I’d like the memory of me
to be a **happy one**.
I’d like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I’d like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.
I’d like the tears of those who
grieve, to **dry before the sun**;
Of happy memories that
I leave **when life is done**.

“**Grandmothers hold our tiny hands for just a little while, but our hearts forever,” – Unknown**

Acknowledgment

Words cannot express the gratitude that we extend to everyone of you for your prayers, love, concern, gifts and many other ways you let us know you care. May God bless and keep you as we continue life’s journey.
The McNeill Family

Order of Service

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

PRAYER OF COMFORT

ELDER BRIAN GILLIS

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

REVEREND JOHN BRIGHT

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

MINISTER ANNA BYRD

SOLO

Ms. LISA McNEILL

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS/OBITUARY

Ms. MARY BETHEA

REMARKS (PLEASE LIMIT TO TWO MINUTES)

SOLO

MINISTER JEFFREY McKOY

EULOGY

REVEREND CHARLES McKNIGHT
Sr. PASTOR, NEW ZION AME CHURCH

MUSICAL SELECTION

VIEWING/RECESSIONAL

Interment

Pinelawn Memorial Park
Southern Pines, North Carolina



Repast

Berkley Community Center
Aberdeen, North Carolina

Great-Grands’ “GiGi”:

Great

Intelligent

Gorgeous

Innovative



Dear Grandma!

As I Think Back On All The times You Were There For Me: You Dropped Me Off At My First Job. You Were The First To Let Me Drive. You Held My Hand As I Gave Birth To My First Child Nya. You Were Waiting At My House When I Brought Zan Home. So Many Memories: From You Rolling Your Hair In The Living Room As You Nodded Off To Sleep. To U Taking US Grands To McDonald's For Lunch. I Can Remember Spending Summers At Your House With My cousin. Everybody Always Loved Coming To Your House. You Will Be Missed By So Many People: Your Kids, Your Grand Kids, Your Great Grand Kids. But Most Of All By Me. You Loved Me And I Definitely Loved You. Everybody Was Shanta' (Giggling). I Know I'm Not Supposed To Question God. But I Find Myself Asking Why. Why Did You Have To Go. I Begged You To Stay As Your Heart Slowly Stopped Beating. I Rubbed Your Face And I Loved On You. I Wanted To Scream So Loud At The clock: 3:09AM Will Forever Be Edged In My Heart. Annie Baby As You Liked To Call Your Self. There Will Never Be Another Like You. As We Celebrate Your Life On Today. You would Want Us To Have A Good Time. Cause That Was The Type Of Person You Was Classy And Sassy. Always Snapping Those Fingers. And Switching When You Walked. I Know You Are Looking Down On Us Saying Make Sure You Put More Lip Stick On My Mouth It's Dry. Grandma We Love You And Will Never Forget You. Until We Meet Again. Now You Are Truly Our Lucky Charm

♥♥♥ Granddaughter, Shanta'

Casket & Floral Attendants
Friends of the Family



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Annie Lee
Chisholm
McNeill

"If You Live Right,
Heaven Belongs To You!"



Funeral Service

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023

VIEWING: 12 NOON-1:00 P.M.

CELEBRATION SERVICE: 1:00 P.M.

THE WORSHIP CENTER

150 EASTMAN ROAD
SOUTHERN PINES, NORTH CAROLINA

BISHOP ROY MCKOY, PASTOR
REVEREND CHARLES MCKNIGHT, EULOGIST

SUNRISE: MARCH 17, 1932 - SUNSET: JANUARY 20, 2023