

Obituary

Mrs. Elnora D. Gandy, daughter of the late Harley and Rena Poole Derry, affectionately known as “Sister,” was born on February 20, 1932, in Darlington, SC. She peacefully entered her final resting place on Sunday, May 16, 2021, at Lexington Medical Center in Lexington, SC.

Elnora received her formal education in the Darlington County public school system, graduating from Mayo High School. She always bragged about her class of 1952.

At an early age, **Elnora** was converted, baptized, and joined Round O Baptist Church, where she worked in different capacities when needed.

Elnora was united in holy matrimony to Charlie Calhoun Gandy, Sr. on March 26, 1953. To this happy union of 57 years, two children were born, Debra and Charlie, Jr.

In the early years of their marriage, they moved to Wilmington, Delaware, where her husband worked as a landscaper for the Dupont Nemours Family Estate, which was once the private residence of the 46th president, Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

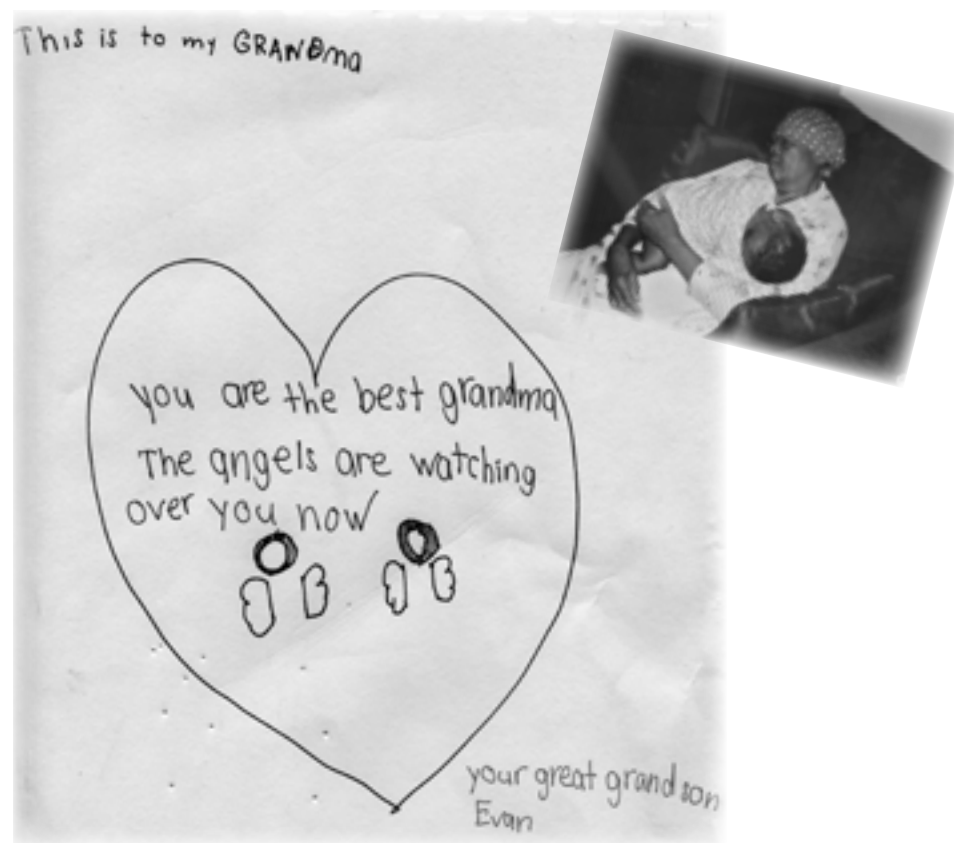
When the family moved further up north, **Elnora** worked alongside her sister, “Ollie Bell” at the prestigious Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. The family migrated back to SC, where **Elnora** obtained a position at Nytronics/MSD for 30 years, from which she retired.

Elnora was named “The Member of the Year” at Round O Baptist Church in 1997 and was a faithful member of the Order of the Eastern Star (OES) sorority.

Elnora enjoyed gardening, cooking, reading, shopping, and being with her family.

Elnora was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie C. Gandy, Sr.; her son, Charlie C. Gandy, Jr.; a sister, Ollie Bell Antrum; and two brothers, James Blake, Sr. and James “Booster” Derry.

Those who shared the joys of life with her and survived to cherish her memories are a loving and devoted daughter, Debra Ann Gandy of Columbia, SC; two grandchildren, Kimaada Monique McLeod (Maurice) of Raleigh, NC, and Sean Christopher Campbell of Columbia, SC; one great-grandson, Evan Reese McLeod; one stepson, Hercules Richardson of Coconut Creek, FL; two brothers Heyward Derry, Sr. (Helen) and Clifton Derry (Marie) of Darlington, SC; three sisters-in-law, Hannah Hough (Larry), and Blanche Sawyer, both of Darlington, SC and Mazie Gandy of Winston-Salem, NC; four brothers-in-law, Arthur Gandy (Anita), James Muhammad (Julia), Abram Gandy (Ivory), and Calhoun Gandy, Jr. all of SC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.



Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Opening Hymn.....

Scripture Readings
Old Testament Angela Solomon (Niece)
New Testament.....Carolyn Pearson (Niece)

Prayer of Comfort Pastor Eric Thomas

SoloReginald Fitzgerald Derry (Nephew)

Remarks/Acknowledgments Kimaada Monique McLeod

SoloReginald Fitzgerald Derry (Nephew)

Words of ComfortR. Maurice McLeod

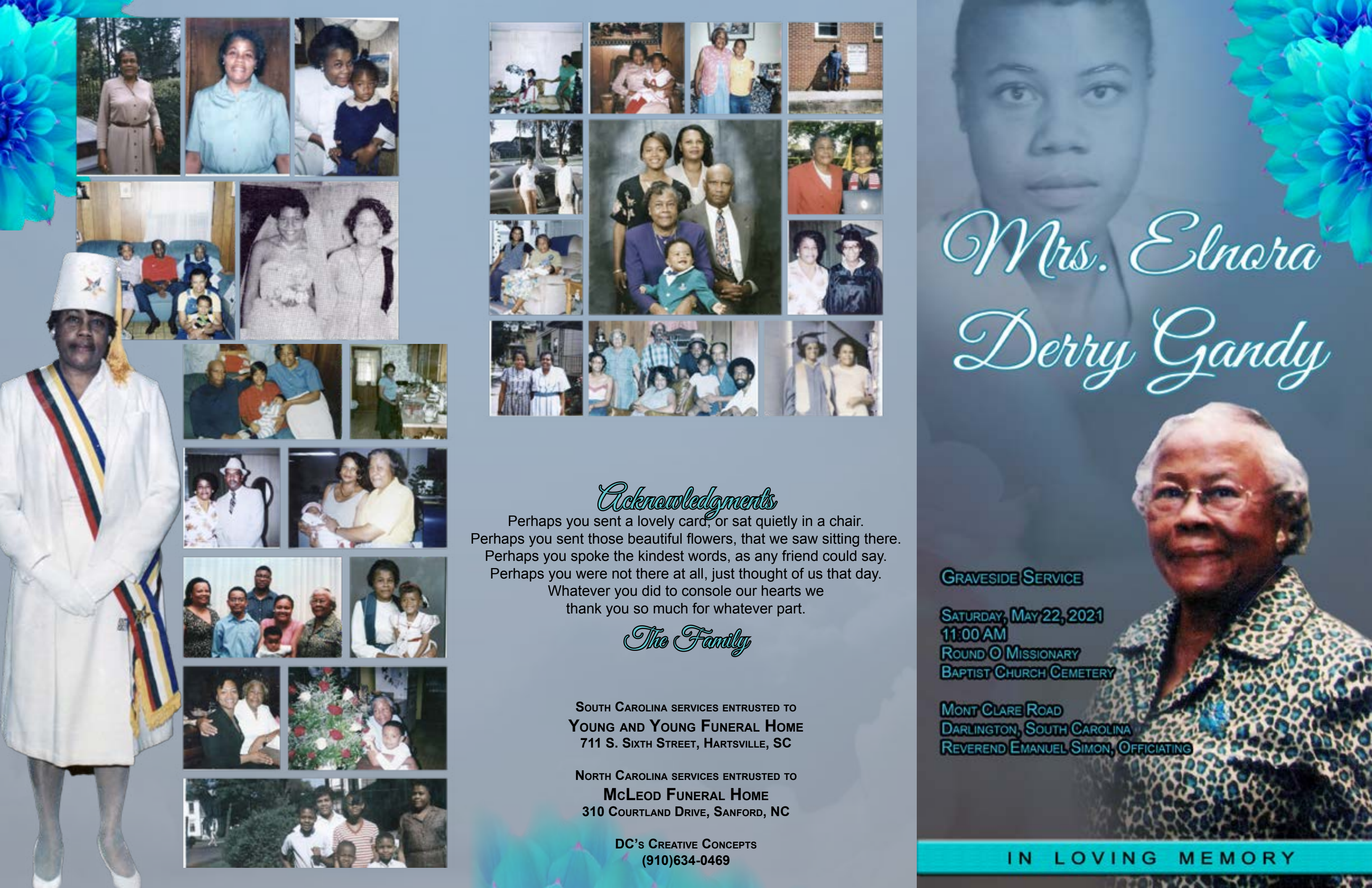
Morticians Brief.....Young & Young Funeral Home
..... McLeod Funeral Home

Committal/Benediction..... Pastor Eric Thomas



God's Garden

**God looked around his garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth, and saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful, He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering, He knew that you were in pain. He knew that you would never get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb. So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered
“Peace be thine.” It broke our hearts to lose you but you did not go alone... For part of us went with you the day God called you home.**



Mrs. Elnora
Derry Gandy

Acknowledgments
Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent those beautiful flowers, that we saw sitting there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts we
thank you so much for whatever part.

The Family

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GRAVESIDE SERVICE
SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2021
11:00 AM
ROUND O MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY

MONT CLARE ROAD
DARLINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA
REVEREND EMANUEL SIMON, OFFICIATING

IN LOVING MEMORY