DEAR NOTHER

SOMEWHERE IN MY HEART BENEATH ALL MY GRIEF AND PAIN. IS A SMILE I STILL WEAR AT THE SOUND OF YOUR DEAR NAME. THE PRECIOUS WORD IS 'MOTHER', SHE WAS MY WORLD YOU SEE, BUT NOW MY HEART IS BREAKING CAUSE SHE'S NO LONGER HERE WITH ME. GOD CHOSE HER FOR HIS ANGEL TO WATCH ME FROM ABOVE. TO GUIDE ME AND ADVISE ME AND KNOW THAT I'M STILL LOVED. THE DAY SHE HAD TO LEAVE ME WHEN HER LIFE ON EARTH WAS THROUGH, GOD HAD BETTER PLANS FOR HER, FOR THIS, I SURELY KNEW. WHEN I THINK OF HER KIND HEART AND ALL THOSE LOVING YEARS, MY MEMORIES SURROUND ME AND I CAN'T HOLD BACK THE TEARS. SHE TRULY WAS MY BEST FRIEND, SOMEONE I COULD CONFIDE IN, SHE ALWAYS HAD A TENDER TOUCH AND A WARM AND GENTLE GRIN. I WANT TO THANK YOU MOTHER FOR TEACHING ME SO WELL, AND THOUGH THE TIME HAS COME THAT I MUST BID YOU THIS FAREWELL. I'LL REMEMBER ALL YOU'VE TAUGHT ME AND MAKE YOU PROUD YOU'LL SEE, THANK YOU MY DEAR MOTHER FOR ALL THE LOVE YOU SHOWED ME. ALTHOUGH YOU'VE LEFT THIS EARTH AND NOW YOU'VE TAKEN FLIGHT, I KNOW THAT YOU ARE HERE WITH ME EACH MORNING, NOON AND NIGHT.



Pallbearers

ERIC COLEMAN, D'ANGELO WHITE, CAM'RON LIKE, D'TONIO WHITE, TYLER COLEMAN & KEN'YON FRAZIER

THANKS FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS CKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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.

SPECIAL THANKS

Donisha Sudduth, Friends for Life, LLC for helping us care for our mother | Eboni Coleman and Shabela Like for pulling extra duties in Mom's care | All Nations Christian Church for hosting the service | Centennial Church for all you've done to support our family. | Keesha Harris and the Henry Funeral & Cremation Services for helping to gracefully lay our Mom to rest.

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her ophelia colyer

OPHELIA WAS BORN JUNE 28, 1950, IN LULA, MISSISSIPPI TO OZZIE LEE SMITH AND PETER RICE. AT THE AGE OF FIVE, AFTER THE PASSING OF HER BIOLOGICAL MOTHER, SHE MOVED TO ST. LOUIS, MO WHERE SHE WAS LOVED, NURTURED, AND RAISED BY HER MOTHER (MATERNAL AUNT) LESSIE HUNTER. OPHELIA WAS THE THIRD CHILD OF SIX CHILDREN.

SHE WORKED IN VARIOUS ROLES IN MANUFACTURING AND RETAIL BEFORE EVENTUALLY LEAVING THE WORKFORCE TO RAISE HER CHILDREN.

SHE ATTENDED VASHON HIGH SCHOOL AND DURING HER HIGH SCHOOL YEARS SHE MET HER FIRST HUSBAND. WHILE THIS UNION DID NOT LAST FOREVER AS SHE HAD HOPED, IT'S WHEN SHE GAINED HER MOST TREASURED TITLE – "MOTHER."

OPHELIA LATER MARRIED SIDNEY FRAZIER, THE FOUNDING PASTOR OF NEW PARADISE M.B. CHURCH WHERE SHE FAITHFULLY SERVED UNTIL HIS PASSING IN FEBRUARY 1977.

OPHELIA FOUND LOVE AGAIN AND MARRIED LONNIE COLYER WHO PASSED UNEXPECTEDLY IN JUNE 1998.

AT AN EARLY AGE, OPHELIA ESTABLISHED A RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST AND DILIGENTLY WORKED IN THE CHURCH. SHE WAS A DEVOTED MEMBER OF CENTENNIAL HOLYLAND M.B. CHURCH., ST LOUIS, MO FOR OVER 40 YEARS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PASTOR CHAT JEFFERSON THEN LATER PASTOR FRANKLIN JEFFERSON. THERE SHE WORKED TIRELESSLY AS A MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF THE MOTHER'S BOARD; AND HELPED OVERSEE AND GUIDE THREE GENERATIONS OF THE YOUTH CHOIR. MANY OF THOSE CHOIR MEMBERS, WHO ARE ADULTS NOW, WILL TELL YOU HOW SHE INFLUENCED THEIR LIVES WITH WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT, HUGS, AND EVEN A SWITCH FROM THE TREE WHEN NECESSARY. OPHELIA LOVED CHILDREN AND WORKING WITH THE YOUTH CHOIR BROUGHT GREAT REWARD. SHE ALSO ENJOYED FISHING, DRIVING FAST CARS, AND WATCHING ST. LOUIS CARDINAL BASEBALL.

OPHELIA COLYER, A CHILD OF THE RISEN KING, WAS CALLED HOME TO BE WITH OUR LORD AND SAVIOR ON AUGUST 6, 2021.

SHE WAS PROCEEDED IN DEATH BY HER LOVING HUSBANDS: SIDNEY FRAZIER AND LONNIE COLYER; BOTH HER BIOLOGICAL PARENTS: OZZIE AND PETER RICE; THE MOTHER WHO RAISED HER, LESSIE HUNTER AND TWO BROTHERS: PETER RICE JR., AND CHARLIE RICE.

OPHELIA LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SEVEN CHILDREN: MARVIN (STEPHANIE) COLEMAN, VERONICA COLEMAN, TONIA COLEMAN, YOLANDA FRAZIER, SIDNEY (PEEJAY) FRAZIER, DWAN (FELICIA) COLYER AND CONNIE COLYER; 14 GRANDCHILDREN: JASMINE (AARON) BALLWIN, JEREMY HAMILTON, TYLER COLEMAN, EBONI (LONELL) REECE, ERIC COLEMAN, NIJA FRAZIER, D'TONIO WHITE, D'ANGELO WHITE, CAM'RON LIKE, KEN'YON FRAZIER, INDYA FRAZIER, AMYAH COLYER, KAYLA COLYER AND AYDEN COLYER; FIVE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN: LONELL REECE JR., ADDISYN WHITE, OBADIAH BALLWIN, AVERY BALLWIN AND AHMAJ HAMILTON; THREE SIBLINGS: HOLLIS (DIANE) RICE, GREGORY HUNTER, OZZIE RICE AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

Memories With Ophelia





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PASTOR ANTHONY REED
PASTOR ROBERT REED
CELEBRATION CHOIR

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CONDOLENCES "HER STORY" (READ SIELENTLY WITH SOFT MUSIC)

TRIBUTE TO GRANDMOTHER MUSICAL SELECTION

Grandchildren Celebration Choir

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