



Flower Bearers

Nieces

Pall Bearers

Grandsons



Doretha's Family



*Honoring
her
Spirit*



Acknowledgements

*We thank you for your prayers and kindness during the illness
and since the homegoing of our beloved matriarch.*

*If you ever had a meal that she prepared, and it caused you
to smile, you contributed to bringing her joy.*

*Thank you for allowing us to share fond memories of a
beloved mother, grandmother, sister and aunt with you.*

The Family

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*Celebrating
the Life of*



Mrs. Doretha Hairston Lyons

May 1, 1928 ~ November 6, 2020



Tuesday, November 10, 2020

11:30 AM

Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church

1400 Fitch Street

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Rev. Dr. Dennis Leach, Sr., Officiating



Obituary

Doretha Janice Hairston Lyons was born on May 1, 1928. She was one of nine children born to the late Walter and Alma Hairston in Forsyth County. She went home to be with her Lord and Savior on November 6, 2020.

Carver and Atkins High were schools she attended. An avid cook, she catered weddings, private parties and even owned several restaurants. Because of her cooking skills and knowledge, she was a culinary authority in the city. Her passion for cooking continued until her health declined. She will be long remembered for her delicious cakes.

Doretha enjoyed trips to the beach, Sunday dinners, family gatherings and story-telling. A member of Morning Star Baptist Church, she participated in many of its activities and was greatly loved by her pastor and church family.

She was predeceased by her husband, William “Al” Lyons; daughter, Jacqueline Crawford; and siblings, Nathaniel “Bud” Hairston, Doris Roebuck, Ollie Mays and Billy Hairston.

She is survived by: two of her daughters, Patricia Rhodes and Helen Handy; six grandchildren, Tyrone (Vertara) Huntley, Tammy (Chris) Norton, Thalaferro “Fella” (Angela) Huntley, Michael Huntley, Elizabeth Crawford and Jamila Handy; eleven great grandchildren; six great great grandchildren; a devoted son-in-law, James Crawford; four sisters, Anna Horton, Janet (Isaiah) Timberlake, Helen Horton and Clara (Willie) Pinkney; special niece, Christine Davis; a host of other nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Known as the matriarch of the Hairston family, Doretha began the annual Hairston Family Reunion 50 years ago. It was a tradition she took pride in. She loved her family and friends unconditionally. Doretha will be greatly missed and her memory, deeply cherished.

Order of Service

Processional

Family Visitation 11:00 AM ~ 11:30 AM

Opening

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

Rev. James Lewis

New Testament

Rev. Valerie Hicks

Prayer

Rev. Charlotte Leach

Selection

Ms. Kim Myers

Church Resolution

Mrs. Carrie Barnes

Community Resolution

Mr. Mark Biggam

Family Remarks

2 minutes please

Selection

Ms. Kim Myers

Eulogy

Rev. Dr. Dennis Leach, Sr., Pastor

Recessional

Interment

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

Words of Comfort

Weep Not For Me

Weep not for me though I have gone

Into that gentle night

Grieve if you will, but not for long

Upon my soul's sweet flight

I am at peace, my soul's at rest

There is no need for tears

For with your love I was so blessed

For all those many years

There is no pain, I suffer not

The fear is now all gone

Put now these things out of your thoughts

In your memory I live on

Remember not my fight for breath

Remember not the strife

Please do not dwell upon my death

But celebrate my life

~*Author Unknown*