



### *The Master's Bouquet*

*The Master walked in His garden  
Plucking flowers along the way;  
He plucked one of my loved ones,  
To add to his bouquet.*

*My heart at first was broken,  
At the loss of one so dear;  
But the tears I shed just washed my eyes,  
So I saw His way more clear.*

*My Lord has a need for just this one,  
For the pattern He has in mind;  
But it's hard for the rest of us to see  
Why we must be left behind.*

*Perhaps we are not ready to go just yet  
We may need to ripen more  
To reach the full blown fragrance  
My Lord is waiting for.*

*So I'm going to try my very best  
To be loving and kind each day,  
So at last I'll be counted worthy  
To be part of my Master's Bouquet.*

### **Note of Thanks**

With deep appreciation and gratitude, we wish to express our sincere thanks to the many families and friends for the cards, flowers, and other expressions of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one. May God bless each of you.

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# Celebrating the Life and Legacy of *Mrs. Louise E. Brice*



**SUNRISE**  
May 25, 1937

**SUNSET**  
January 13, 2024

Sunday, January 21, 2024  
3:00 PM

Trinity United AME Zion Church  
1638 Freedom Road  
Gastonia, North Carolina

Pastor Anarah Henderson, Senior Pastor

## ~Order of Service~

### Processional

Pastor Anarah Henderson and Family

*Quiet Time- 2:30-3:00pm*

### *Special Dance by:*

Shonda Mason & Maranda Hairston

### Call to Worship Musical Selection

Minister Steve Garland

### Scripture Reading:

*Old Testament:* Apostle Andrew Rollinson

*New Testament:* Apostle David Littlejohn

### Prayer of Comfort Musical Selection

Reverend Diane Johnson  
Hope Family

### Reflections (Limited to 3 minutes please)

Vergie Mitchem  
Precious Brice  
Pastor Joe Floyd

### Reading of Obituary Selection Words of Comfort

Pastor M. Alyce McCaskill  
Pastor Sharon Collins  
Pastor Anarah Henderson

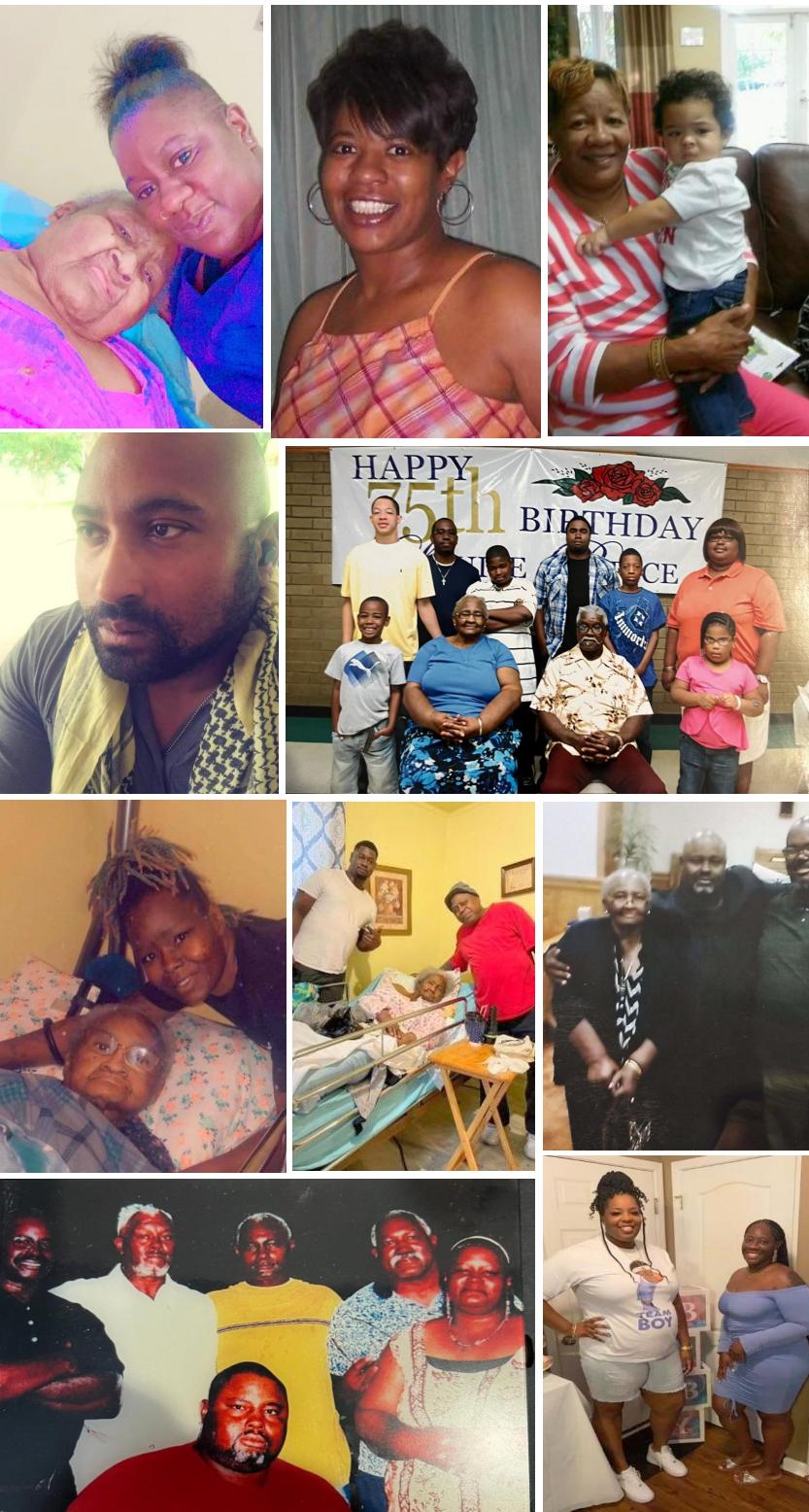
*“Do Not Pass Me By”*

Church Cemetery

### *~Flower Bearers~* Granddaughters

### *~Pall Bearers~*

James Brice	Dennis Collins
Antwon Brice	James Brice, Jr.
Carlos Leslie	Marquis Dameron
Randy Toms	Travis Gardin
Chazarae Thomas	



## OBITUARY

Louise Ernestine Brice was born on May 25, 1937, in York, SC to Claude Warren and Ethel Marie Farrer Warren. She transitioned to her heavenly home on Saturday, January 13, 2024, at her residence in Gastonia, NC as she had wished.

Louise attended Clover, SC schools. She started her walk with Christ at an early age as a member of Flat Rock Baptist Church, Clover, SC. She later became a faithful member of Trinity AME Zion Church (now Trinity-Unity) for 60 years where she served as a Sunday School teacher for the Junior Class. After many years of labor, she retired from the Victory Mill in Gastonia, NC.

In Louise's spare time, she loved planting flowers in her garden when she was able. She enjoyed cooking and watching TV, especially NCIS: New Orleans. We can't fail to mention how she loved chewing gum. Above all, she diligently read her Bible, prayed and sung her favorite song *Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior*. Louise was a very helpful and caring person. But was stern in what she said. She always reminded her loved ones that "you need the Lord. Get right with God and go to church."

In addition to her parents, Louise was preceded in death by her husband Joshua Brice, sister Octavia Warren, two sons, Joe Lewis Brice and Minister Rodney Brice, and two grandsons Daquan Collins and Jeremiah Brice.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Renee Brice, of the home; five sons: Ricky Brice (Linda) of Gastonia, NC, Albert Brice of Charlotte, NC, James Brice of Hinesville, GA, Wayne Brice of Sumter, SC, and Steven Brice of Charlotte, NC; daughter-in-law Valerie Mason Brice of Clover, SC; sixteen grandchildren: Anita McGee, Crystal Brice Gaines, Pastor Tasha Leslie (Carlos), Maranda Hairston (Keith), James Brice, Jr., Melissa Brice, Deana Byers, Toni Byers, Jarret Brice, Daniel Brice, Taylor Brice, Antwon Brice (Quamisha), Andria Brice, Davarius Collins (Nikki), Kenya Collins and Tiffany Collins; twenty-three great grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren; two bonus daughters: Angela Wynn Brice and Georgia Mason; a special cousin Mary Armstrong of Stanley, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives and friends.

