

Order of Service

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

Receiving of Friends from
12:00 until 12:30 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Benjamin Hinton

INVOCATION

Dr. Doris Sanders

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament-Rev. William C. Cannon
New Testament-Min. Mary Ann Cannon

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Rev. Theodore Adams

SELECTION

Pastor Ricky Collins

REMARKS (2 minutes, please)

Minister Martha Partlow-Co-Sunday School Teacher
Mr. James Bowden-Martin Rebecca Chapter #117 EOS
Mrs. Robin Diggs-Adopted Daughter
Mrs. Ernestine Davis and Mr. Horace Garvin-Family
Myiah and Okorie Nueman-Grandchildren

RESOLUTION

Tawana Walker

SELECTION

Pastor Ricky Collins

WORDS OF COMFORT

Dr. Benjamin Hinton

FAMILY REMARKS

Moses Nueman, Jr.

RECESSIONAL

His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

Matthew 25:23



**Floral and Pall Bearers
Family and Friends**

Interment

Gaston Memorial Park
1200 S. New Hope Road
Gastonia, North Carolina

Note of Thanks

The family of Sarah Lee Barnett Powell wishes to express deep and heartfelt appreciation for your loving thoughtfulness and concern, including cards, flowers, phone calls, texts, visits, your presence here today, and your prayers during this difficult time.

May God bless each and every one of you.

The Family

Arrangements Were Entrusted to:

Gregory Funeral Service, Inc.
601 North York Street
Gastonia, North Carolina 28052
704-867-4364

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY

OF

Mrs. Sarah Lee Barnett Powell



Sunrise: March 27, 1938 - Sunset: March 31, 2026

Monday, April 6, 2026 at 12:30 p.m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church
519 W. 19th Avenue
Gastonia, North Carolina

DR. BENJAMIN HINTON, SENIOR PASTOR | OFFICIATING

Obituary for Sarah Lee Barnett Powell

Sarah Lee Barnett Powell, 88, peacefully entered eternal rest at her home in Gastonia, North Carolina. She was born on March 27, 1938, in York, South Carolina, to the late Marion and Bessie Meeks Barnett.

In 1955, Sarah moved to Gastonia, North Carolina, where she lived on Boyce Street and lovingly assisted her aunt and uncle, Ernest and Marie Garvin, in caring for their four children. She later graduated from Highland High School in 1957.

In 1961, Sarah married the love of her life, Reverend Doctor Wilfort Powell, and they made their home on Doffin Lane. She was a devoted and faithful wife for sixty years until his passing.

Sarah dedicated more than forty years of service as a Day Care Teacher, retiring from Myrtle B. Hoffman Day Care on Sycamore Street, formerly known as The Community Day Care Center on Windy Hill. Her love for children and commitment to early childhood education touched countless lives.

She was a faithful member of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Gastonia, North Carolina, where she served with distinction. Her church involvement included the Deaconess Ministry and the Golden Years Seniors. In earlier years, she served as a Sunday School teacher, Senior Choir member, and President of the Missionary Department.

Mrs. Powell was also an active member of George Washington Carver #172 and Martin Rebecca Chapter #117 Order of the Eastern Star.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by five sisters: Mamie Meeks, Mary Cannon, Pearlene Smith, Louise Hardy, and her fraternal twin sister, Sadie Patton; and three brothers: James Barnett, Marion Barnett, and Samuel Barnett.

Sarah was a loving mother, sister, aunt, and friend, affectionately known as MeMaw, Moma Sarah, and Moma Powell. She leaves to cherish her precious memory one son, Darrahyl Powell of Gastonia, North Carolina; two daughters, Charrissa Powell of Gastonia, North Carolina, and Maria Nueman (Moses Jr.) of Mount Holly, North Carolina; two grandchildren, Myiah Nueman of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Moses "Okorie" Nueman III (Hannah) of Ashburn, Virginia; one sister, Ida Mae Barnett of High Point, North Carolina; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

We are forever grateful to Johnnie Henderson, whose extraordinary care and unwavering love for moma went far beyond her role. She was so much more than a niece and a caregiver-she offered companionship, comfort and genuine affection. Her presence was a true blessing to our family.

A special acknowledgment is give to Robin Diggs, Ashley Bradley and Pam Davis whose compassionate care and deep bond with moma will never be forgotten.

Sarah Lee Barnett Powell will be remembered for her unwavering faith, servant's heart, and the love she poured into her family, church, and community.

A LIFE WELL LIVED A LEGACY Remembered

