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Acknowledgements

The family of the late Pastor Catherine Snow Heard express our deepest and most sincere appreciation for every act of kindness shown to us during this time of bereavement. We are truly grateful for your prayers, comforting words, visits, calls, and messages of love and support.

To our family and friends, thank you for your presence, your encouragement, and your unwavering love. We are especially thankful for those who provided meals, sent flowers, cards, and all other expressions of sympathy. Your kindness has strengthened us and reminded us that we are not alone. May God richly bless each of you for the love you have shown.

We extend special thanks to Pilgrim Baptist church and their Pastor, Rev. Frederick James, Ph.D., Bishop Donald Lancaster, Rev. Dr., Keith Moore, and Davis Memorial Mortuary and its staff for their professional, compassionate, and dignified service.

The Family

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In Loving Memory of
PASTOR
CATHERINE
Snow Heard

Sunrise: July 13, 1955 - Sunset: April 14, 2026

Saturday, May 2, 2026 | 12:00 P.M. (EST)

Pilgrim Baptist Church

420 N. 12th Avenue | Lanett, AL 36863

Reverend Frederick James, Ph.D., Pastor

OFFICIATING:

Reverend Dr. Keith Moore, Pastor
St. James Missionary Baptist Church, Mobile, AL

EULOGIST:

Bishop Donald Lancaster, Pastor
New Dimensions Worship Center, Valley, AL



Order of Service

Processional..... “By the Spirit”
Written/Recorded by: Pastor Catherine Snow Heard

The Crowning Tribute..... Philecia Jones, Daughter
Kedara Jones, Granddaughter

Selections (A&B)Dr. Quandra Banks

Prayer of Comfort Sis. Reiko Williams

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Rev. Leonard Autry
New Testament Rev. Willie G. Wimberly

Solo.....Rev. A. A. Booker

Reflections (2 minutes)

Church Members..... Bro. Lynn Harrell
Sis. Tanesha Price
Sis. Kyana Taylor
Family Members.....Pastor Monique S. Summers, Sister
Ako Humphries, Granddaughter

Gospel Melody..... The Valley Girls

Acknowledgements/Resolutions & Video Tribute..... Rev. Miriam Harlan

Solo.....Rev. Dr. Keith Moore

EulogyBishop Donald Lancaster

RecessionalSelection Led by: Rev. Dr. Keith Moore

Interment

Hillcrest Cemetery
3202 Country Club Road | Lanett, AL 36863

Obituary

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you [and approved of you as My chosen instrument], And before you were born I consecrated you [to Myself as My own]; I have appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”
Jeremiah 1:5 (AMP)

“May the Work I’ve Done Speak for Me”

A Life of Faith, Service, and Music

Early Life and Faith

Mrs. Catherine Snow Heard also known as “Cat” was born on July 13, 1955, in West Point, Georgia, to Mr. Gene Lipscomb and Mrs. Arrie “Lucy” Snow. She passed away at Sidney & Lois Eskenazi Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana, on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, after an extended hospital stay.

From a young age, Catherine was steadfast in her faith, becoming a member of Mt. Hermon Baptist Church in Lanett, Alabama. She actively participated in both the choir and the youth department. Later, she joined Miracle Revival Temple in Lanett and LaFayette, Alabama, under the leadership of the late Pastor Sarah C. Dunn.

Education and Professional Journey

Catherine received her education in the Lanett City School System and attended Lanier High School, the only school in the Greater Valley area that served Black students during segregation. While at Lanier High, she was involved in the marching band. After high school, she worked briefly at West Point Pepperell before relocating to Indianapolis, Indiana. There, she earned her degree from Indiana Barber College, successfully completing 1,500 hours of training to prepare for the state’s practical and written examinations. Upon graduation, Catherine put her skills in haircutting, styling, facial shaving, sanitation and safety to use by instructing others and launching a prison ministry that offered complimentary haircuts and styling services within the Indianapolis penal system.

Ministry and Community Service

Pastor Cathy began her ministry more than 27 years ago under the guidance of Rev. Shep Banks at Greater Shepherd Missionary Baptist Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. In recent years, she continued her ministerial development through mentorship with the late Pastor Roy Mother Lucille Luster of Upper Room Apostolic Church, also in Indianapolis. This mentorship led to the founding of Blessed House of Prayer Church, Inc., which operated in both Indianapolis, Indiana, and LaGrange, Georgia. Blessed House served the community through a variety of ministries, including the Blessed House of Prayer Daycare Ministry and the Blessed House of Prayer Food Bank, which provided bi-weekly food pantry distributions and a dedicated Senior Citizens food ministry. Blessed House partnered with Gleaners’ Food Bank, Indiana’s largest food bank, for over 15 years, delivering substantial quantities of food annually to families

facing financial hardship. Pastor Cathy also worked with Channel 6 News on the Toys-for-Tots program, supplying toys each year to families in need. Additionally, Blessed House was recognized by the state’s 911 help hotline as a resource for infants and families, offering support with food, diapers, clothing, utilities, and housing.

Recognition and Achievements

Pastor Cathy’s dedicated service was acknowledged by the State of Indiana, where she has received commendations from Congressman Andre Carson, the U.S. Representative for Indiana 7th Congressional District, Indiana Secretary of State, and the Governor. Pastor Cathy was also honored as a special guest at the Annual Prayer Breakfast hosted by the State of Indiana.

Music Ministry

Pastor Cathy was deeply committed to music ministry. She established two children’s choirs in Lanett, Alabama, and Indianapolis, Indiana. She was an active member of gospel groups including the Corinthians Singers and Ben and the Sounds of Salvation, both based in Indianapolis. In addition to her participation, she composed numerous songs, with “By the Spirit” being her most acclaimed work.

Family and Legacy

Pastor Cathy was predeceased by her parents, Mr. Willie Gene Lipscomb and Mrs. Arrie “Lucy” Snow; three brothers—Arthur Snow, Andre Snow, and Rodney Snow—and four sisters: Twyla Snow Wright, Carleen Snow-Pitts, Charlotte Snow, and Suzanne Snow, who passed away in infancy.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband, Mr. Russell Heard; one son, Jerald Bailey of Lanett, Alabama; three daughters: Michell Wright of LaGrange, Georgia, Shermika Duerson of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Philecia Jones Liste of Indianapolis, Indiana; thirteen grandchildren: Amarri, Tiara, Isaiah, Micaela, Jeremiah, Ako, Naomi, Alicia, Kedara, Elijah, Caleb, Daveon, and Tamyra; nine great-grandchildren: Zailin, Noah, Alexander, Sophia, Micah, Kehlani, Jayce, Kalli, and Kristian; one brother, Willie (Damita) Snow of Reston, Virginia; four sisters: Angelavonne Snow of Atlanta, Georgia, Sandra Rosser and Melody Snow, both of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Monique (Perry) Summers of Valley, Alabama; mother-in-law, Ms. Lula Heard of West Point, Georgia; one sister-in-law; three brothers-in-law; along with a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

