

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*Pallbearers*  
Grandsons & Nephews

*Flower Girls*  
Granddaughters & Nieces

*Interment*  
Burke Memorial Park

*The Day God  
Took You Home*

You never said, "I'm leaving."  
You never said, "Good-bye."  
You were gone before I knew it,  
And only God knew why.  
A million times I needed you;  
A million times I cried.  
If love alone could have saved you,  
You never would have died.  
In life, I loved you dearly;  
In death, I love you still.  
In my heart, you hold a place  
That no one could ever fill.  
It broke my heart to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone.  
Part of me went with you  
The day God took you home.

*Acknowledgement*  
The family of Doris Henrietta Connelly would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

*Special Acknowledgments-*  
Reverend Wesley Hendrix and Mt. Zion Baptist Church,  
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*Sunrise*  
July 12, 1937

*Sunset*  
October 16, 2024

Sunday, October 20, 2024  
2:00 PM

**MT. ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
4427 Berry School Avenue  
Valdese, North Carolina 28690

*Doris Henrietta*  
**CONNELLY**



## Obituary

**Doris Henrietta Connelly** was born on July 12, 1937, to the late Emily Johnson and Lawrence Morris. She transitioned from labor to reward on October 16, 2024. She was preceded in death by her husband, Reverend Marvin Connelly, Sr.; three sisters, Annie Morris Hughes, Hazel Morris, and Marguerite Brenda Morris; and two brothers, Lawrence Morris and Clarence Morris.

She attended Olive Hill High School. Her dedicated work ethic was exhibited at Valdese Manufacturer and later as a supervisor at both the North Carolina School for the Deaf and J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center, formerly Western Carolina Center. As co-owner of Dependable Maintenance Janitorial Service, there truly was no job too big or small as she assured everyone did it all!

Doris could be seen every Sunday wearing one of her many hats to Mt. Zion Baptist Church until her health began to fail. She leaves to cherish her memory: her four children of her union to the late Reverend Marvin Connelly, Doris Marvena McCain of Camp Springs, MD, Gaither Antonio Connelly of Oriental, NC, Cynthia Connelly of Valdese, NC, and Marvin Connelly, Jr., (Joyce) of Raleigh, NC; as well as one special nephew, Parish Morris (Donna) of Atlanta, GA; and one sister, Dorothy Fullwood of Charlotte, NC.

She was affectionately called “Nanny” or “Big Nonnie” by her eleven grandchildren, twenty-seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grand.

Doris shared a special bond with her neighbors, Frances Tate, Mary Johnson, Anne Ramsuer, and Louise Tucker. She had a heart of gold and gave to many in the community and beyond. Her stern personality would often turn to laughter and joy to all who happened to stop by for a porcheside chat such as Maseline Berry and Shirley Kincaid. She epitomized the saying, “One man’s trash is another man’s treasure,” as her love of furniture left no discarded couch or chair by the side of the road. She will be greatly missed in Berrytown and the surrounding communities.

## Precious Memories



## Order of Service

*Reverend Dr. Marvin Connelly, Jr., Officiating*

Processional.....Clergy and family

Invocation

Opening Selection .....Mt. Zion Baptist Church Choir

Old Testament .....Reverend Dr. Joe Connelly (nephew)

New Testament .....Minister Chad Connelly (nephew)

Prayer of Comfort ..... Elder Sherman Connelly (nephew)

Family Song..... *Precious Lord* - Tony Hall

Special Tributes

Family.....Reverend Alicia Connelly (niece)

Friend ..... Artie Logan

Church & Community .....Deacon Bruce Hawkins

Children

Acknowledges/Obituary..... Harriet Johnson

Pre-Sermon Selection..... *I Remember Mama* - Alberta Hall

Eulogy ..... Reverend Wesley Hendrix, Pastor  
Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Recessional