



Moments of Sharing



PROCESSIONAL

RECEIVING OF FRIENDS

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Order of Service

Rev. Dr. Charles Webber, Officiating Minister

SELECTION

Sis. Lakita Patterson Ross

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament - Rev. Dr. Melvin Clark

New Testament - Rev. Joel Watkins

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Rev. Vincent Ross

SELECTION

Rev. Dr. Melvin Clark

REMARKS

(Two Minutes)

Sis. Heather Hartgrove

Sis. Dorothy Williamson

Sis. Doris Kilgore

Bro. James Glenn

Bro. Willie Burris

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SELECTION

Sis. Lakita Patterson Ross

WORDS OF COMFORT

Rev. Reginald Hartgrove

RECESSIONAL

FLORAL BEARERS

Granddaughters

PALL BEARERS

Grandsons

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
to laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
oh, yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and share with me,
God wanted me now,
He set me free.

Acknowledgements

The family of Ella Burris Kee wishes to express our deepest gratitude for every act of kindness shown during our time of bereavement.

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CELEBRATING THE Life AND Legacy OF

Mother
ELLA BURRIS KEE

A devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother,
sister and friend.

Sunrise
May 15, 1932

Sunset
May 22, 2026

Saturday, May 30, 2026
3:00 PM

New Life Christian Church
111 East Parker Street
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28086

A LIFE WELL LIVED A LEGACY Remembered



The Life and Legacy of

Mother Ella Burris Kee

Sunrise: May 15, 1932 – Sunset: May 22, 2026

A beautiful life well lived came to a peaceful close on May 22, 2026. Mother Ella Burris Kee departed this earthly life surrounded by the love of family and friends. Her gentle spirit, unwavering faith, and loving heart will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

Ella Burris Kee was born on May 15, 1932, in York, South Carolina, to the late James and Rosie Ratchford Burris. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. Ella dedicated her life to caring for others with kindness, wisdom, and compassion, always placing God and family first. She was known for her warm spirit, her nurturing heart, and her witty sense of humor that could brighten any room and bring laughter to those around her.

In her earlier years, Ella was employed with Burlington Industries. She later retired from Cleveland Pines Nursing Home after many years of faithful service and dedication. Her caring spirit and compassionate heart touched countless lives both on and off the job.

At an early age, Ella accepted Christ and joined Langrum Branch Baptist Church. She later united with Washington Missionary Baptist Church where she faithfully served as a Deaconess, member of the Spiritual Jubilees Choir, and the Usher Board. Later in life, she became a devoted member of New Life Christian Church where she continued serving as a Deaconess and was lovingly known as the Mother of the Church. She truly loved her church family. Her life was a true reflection of faith, humility, and service.

Ella was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 68 years, Mr. Nelious Kee, Jr.; daughter, Rosemary Young; two sons, Richard Lee Kee and Donald Eugene Kee; brothers, Lonnie Burris, James Burris, and Luther Burris; sisters, Isabelle Watson, Pearl Wilson, and Nellie Crockett; and several other beloved family members.

She leaves to cherish loving memories: her children, Nelson Kee (Tawanna) of Kings Mountain, North Carolina; Sandra Ramseur (Warren) of Shelby, North Carolina; Timothy Kee (Melissa) of Shelby, North Carolina; Maria Kee (fiancé Cameron) of Cherryville, North Carolina; daughter-in-law, Vickie Kee of Gastonia, North Carolina; her loving sisters, Gladys Webber of Shelby, North Carolina, Jessie Mae Ross (Joseph) of Gary, Indiana, Josie Burris of Gastonia, North Carolina, and Ida Sanders of Gastonia, North Carolina; special adopted son, James Glenn of Shelby, North Carolina; two sisters-in-law, Gloria Burris, Gladys Burris; two special friends, Christine Howell and Dorothy Williamson, both of Shelby, North Carolina; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, one great-great-great grandchild, nieces, nephews, cousins, church family, and dear friends whose lives were touched by her love and wisdom.

Mother Kee will always be remembered for her strength, her prayers, her warm smile, her loving guidance, and the joy she brought to others through her laughter and personality. Her legacy of faith, family, and perseverance will continue for generations to come.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

— 2 Timothy 4:7



*Together
Again*

Keep Hope Alive!

